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The Little Giant Steam Engine.

The engine and boiler which we illustrate is intended to furnish a small motive power at a very low price. In a vast number of small shops power is wanted to do light work, such as running lathes, pumping water, and running printing presses, etc. Most engineers, when turning their attention to small power steam engines, have not attempted to provide an engine so small as to be within the reach of the small workman and the amateur machinist.

One of the great difficulties in the way of the manufacture of these small powers is the production of a cheap, good and safe boiler. We may say that this is really the only difficulty in the way of the production of such an engine, and it is the one which has deterred many builders from attempting to build engines and boilers for very small powers.

The boiler of the Little Giant Engine is, therefore, one of its most important points. Figure 2 shows the boiler with the external casing removed. The body of the boiler B is made from lap welded tubing of 10 inches diameter in the small sizes and 12 inches in the 3-horse engine. The bottom is closed with a cast iron cap D, screwed on. The top head A is also of cast iron, screwed on; it is provided with a projecting flange, as shown in the cut, for the purpose of holding the sheet iron casing with which the boiler is surrounded, and which incloses the fire. To obtain sufficient heating surface there are 29 lap-welded water tubes projecting into the fire space around the boiler. These tubes, C C, which are 15 inches long, start from the bottom of the body of the boiler and extend upward to a point just below the water line. The couplings E F are for the purpose of connecting the feed pipes. The three couplings projecting from the main body of the boiler above the tubes are for the attachment of gauge cocks; this length is necessary to get the coupling out through the casing by which the boiler is surrounded, which is just large enough to clear the tubes.

The boiler for the one-horse engine is only 8 feet 4 inches high by 18 inches in diameter. The engine itself is so small as to seem almost a toy, yet one of these little machines with $4\frac{1}{2}$ inch stroke and a cylinder of $2\frac{3}{4}$ inches diameter, is capable of working up to something over one horse-power, at 300 revolutions per minute. One of these engines, which we have examined, we found to be making almost double this speed, and, at 70 pounds pressure, was probably exerting nearly three horse-power. The small size of these engines, and the lightness of the parts, make it possible to run them at a very high rate of speed. Each boiler is tested to a pressure of 250 pounds to the square inch, but the bursting pressure would not be less than 1000 pounds per square inch. The working pressure is anywhere from 70 to 100 pounds. The consumption of coal per day for a single horse-power is so small as to be hardly worth noticing, the one horse-power engine taking about as much coal per day as a cooking stove, and the larger sizes in proportion. The boiler is fitted so as to burn either coal or wood.

The engine itself is of the horizontal D-valve type. The valve is worked by a single eccentric. The connection between them is made by means of a valve rod flattened so as to spring, and thus do away with the necessity for a joint. The governor is driven by a belt from a pulley beside the eccentric. The pump is of the locomotive pattern, and is driven from the cross head. The engine is fitted upon a box made of plank, and painted to represent brick work. This is some 13 inches high by a trifle over 3 feet long. It is made of $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch plank, and serves as a foundation, being secured to the floor by braces. The price of the one-horse power complete and ready for running is only \$150.

In finish and fittings the engines seem all that could be desired. The pillow blocks are rabbitted; both ends of the connecting rod are fitted up with straps and braces neatly finished and furnished with keys and wedges for taking up lost motion. The guides are also fitted with braces. The friction surfaces are of good size.

We give a table showing the dimensions, in

inches, of the different sizes of these engines, and also the number of revolutions per minute:

H. P.	Diam. of Cyl. der.	Stroke.	Fly Wheel.		Pulley.		Revolutions per min.
			Diam.	Face.	Diam.	Face.	
1	$2\frac{3}{4}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	16	$13\frac{1}{2}$	6	8	300
2	$3\frac{1}{2}$	5	20	16	8	10	250
3	$4\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	24	$19\frac{1}{2}$	10	12	200

Mr Ward B. Snyder, of 84 Fulton street, in

both jaws and swivel are set free simultaneously. In the sectional cut marked Fig. 3 the mechanism by which this is accomplished is shown very clearly. B is the stationary jaw through which the movable jaw A, the straight part of which is cored out, passes. P is the bed plate, made in two pieces so as to be adjusted into the dovetail formed by the lower portion of the jaw B. To retain this plate in place, a wedge W is driven in between the sections, spreading the same just sufficiently to make a neat fit with the jaw base. Above the plate

of the clutch bears against the bar R, which is cast with the jaw A, it is evident that, acting on the bar, R, as an abutment, the extension of the toggle joint tends to carry jaw A forward with great force, and so to grasp the object inserted between the jaws very tightly. As soon as the lever is raised to loosen the work, the coiled spring L, acting on the upward turned end of the clutch G, carries the latter to the rear, and so removes it from the rack teeth, and at the same time returns the toggle joint to its normal position. It will be seen from this that

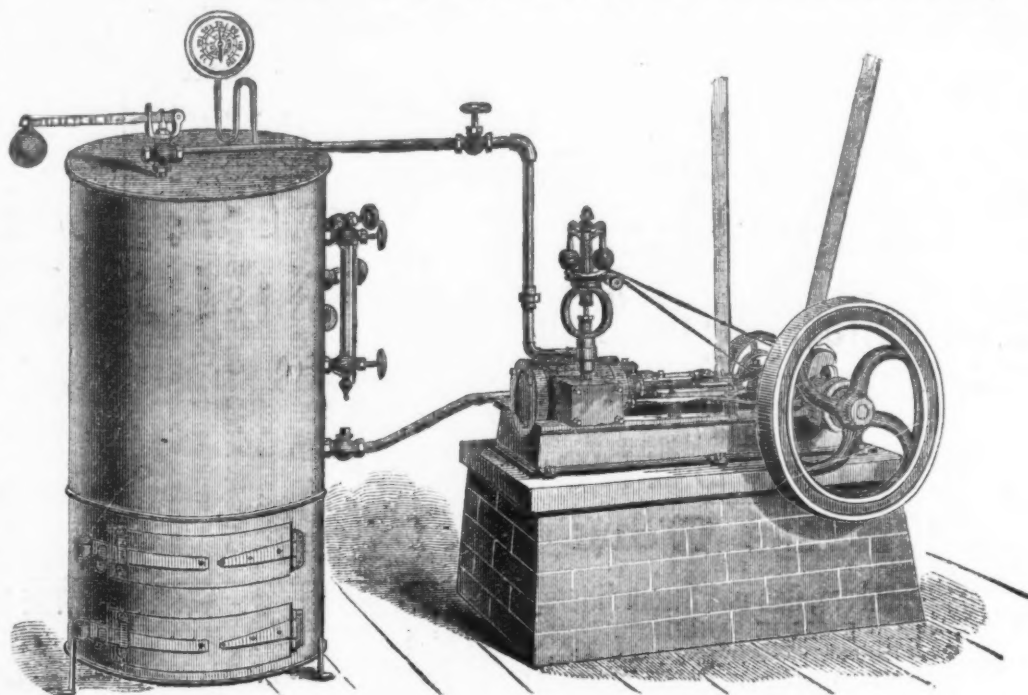
ordinary engine. It is exhibited behind a magnifying lens and attracts much attention. A calculation shows it to exert one twenty-five hundredth part of a horse-power. Mr. Thomas has nearly completed one still more curious and interesting, which will probably be shown at the Centennial. It is a horizontal steam engine on a gold bed plate just half an inch long. It will have a cylinder one-sixteenth of an inch bore and three-thirty-seconds of an inch stroke. The valve in this engine will move only one-sixty-fourth of an inch. It will be complete in all its parts like the other, and admit of being taken apart and put together. We examined the pieces of this little marvel of mechanism the other day, and under a glass one could see with what skill the different parts were made and how delicate they were. It is now nearly completed and when done will without doubt be the smallest engine in the world, being even more diminutive than the vertical engine.

A Transatlantic Steam Passage in 1838.—A writer in the Philadelphia Ledger, who claims a personal recollection of the events, thus describes the first applications of steam in ocean transit:

It was a jubilee day in New York, April 23d, 1838, and the captain and officers of the *Sirius*, that vessel having been six days longer on the passage than the other, were in a plausible frame of mind. The Great Western officers stood more on their dignity, and strove to repel the officious greetings of the "long-shoremen" and "interviewers." They even refused to throw a line to the "news boat," the said boat being a great institution in those sailing packet days. The captains of the packets had made it a point to be very civil to the news gatherers, as a good word from these respective journals counted for something. But the Great Western, proud of her fifteen days' passage, asked no favors. She could not plume herself on a fifteen days' passage now, were she still alive. But her bones lie "five fathom deep," more or less, in the Irish Sea. At her dock she tried to repel boarders by a snail fee. She might as well have tried to keep out rats and roaches. The "Pike ship" boys boarded her as the Society Island natives boarded Captain Cook, and some agile fellows swung themselves from the rigging of a schooner lying near to the rigging of the Great Western, and so came down on deck over the sentries' heads. It was a great day for all sorts of people, and the mayor and corporation did not miss so grand an opportunity for an aldermanic frolic at the city's expense. Times have changed, and the arrival and departure of ocean steamers is no longer an "event."

The *Sirius* sailed on her return trip on the 1st, and the Great Western on the 5th of May. On the 19th of July the Royal William arrived, fourteen and a half days from Liverpool, being the first steamer to start from that port to cross the Atlantic. In 1819, however, the *Savannah*, Captain Rogers, arrived at Liverpool from Savannah in twenty-six days. The *Savannah* was built in New York, for Daniel Dodd, by Francis Fickett. Her engines came from New Jersey, being constructed by Stephen Vail, at the Speedwell Works, near Morristown. The *Savannah* was not, however, a complete steam vessel. She used her wheels only in calm weather, or when the wind was light or adverse. The sails were her principal dependence, the steam supplementary. The *Savannah* went to Stockholm, and King Benadotte visited her, and presented Captain Rogers with "a stone and mauler," whatever that sentence may mean. She went to Russia, and brought away a silver tea kettle from the Emperor. She went afterward to Constantinople, and there the Sultan plied the captain with presents, and perhaps bought his ship. At any rate, the *Savannah* ended her days in the Turkish waters.

Some very rapid work in the formation of cutlery was lately done at Beaver Falls, Pa. On the evening of Monday, Sept. 6th, the first casting was made from the Siemens furnace, at the new steel works of Messrs. Abel Paddle & Co. On the following morning the ingots were rolled down, a bar was taken out to the works of the Beaver Falls Cutlery Co., and within an hour and a quarter it was returned in the shape of half a dozen table knives of excellent temper and finish. The few works are well built and provided with an excellent plant, and the enterprise gives every promise of success.



THE LITTLE GIANT STEAM ENGINE.—Fig. 1.

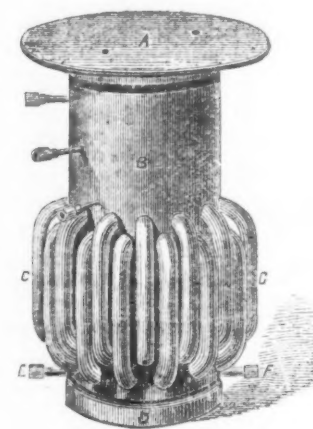


Fig. 2.

Hall's "Sudden Grip" Vise.

We show in the accompanying illustrations an improved vise invented by Mr. Thomas Hall, No. 411 Fulton street, Brooklyn, N. Y.,

this city, is manufacturing this engine, and is prepared to fill orders for them.

P, and held in front and rear by the lower portions of B, is a steel rack plate H. The rear end of this is secured, and the entire plate prevented from rising by the screw N. The lever handle has cast, on each of the sides of its inner end, a disk. These disks are inserted in a socket in the outer extremity of jaw A, and held in place by friction straps T, which are adjusted to hold, said disks loosely or tightly by means of the set

the tendency of the downward, as well as backward, thrust of the toggle joint is to raise the jaws. This action is also utilized to prevent the turning of the vise on its swivel after the grip is on.

The chief point of merit in this vise is the ease and rapidity of its operation, and the steadfastness of its grip. It is also very strong. When the handle is depressed it is entirely out

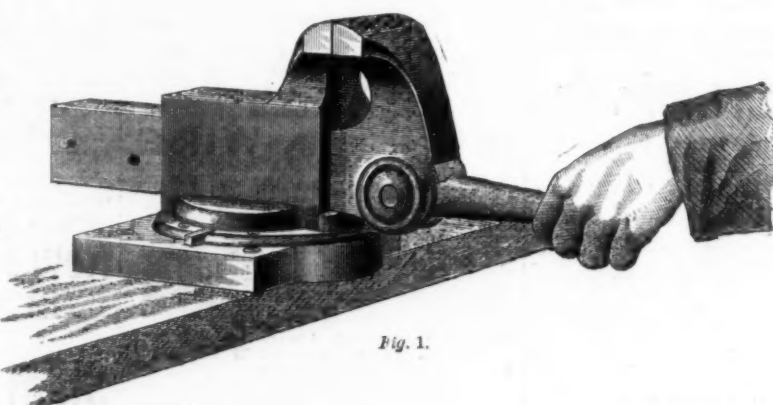


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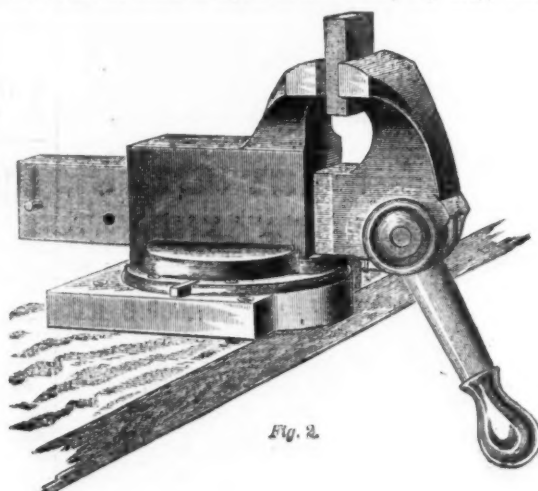


Fig. 2.

HALL'S "SUDDEN GRIP" VISE.

which possesses features of novelty and value. The vise is held in its place on the table by an automatic swivel, on which it is free to move. Attached to the movable jaw is a handle, by which it can be moved to and from the fixed jaw between the extreme limits of its traverse, while the faces of the jaws remain perfectly parallel under all circumstances. When any article is to be held in the vise, the moving of the handle instantly adjusts the jaws to hold it, whatever its size, and the grip of the jaws is as easily and quickly loosened by moving the handle in the reverse direction. It is only necessary to push the movable jaw against the article to be held, and then depress the handle as in Fig. 2, when its weight produces a powerful grip and locks the vise tightly, beside locking the swivel at the angle at which the article is gripped. The arrangement by which this automatic locking of jaws and swivel is produced is very ingenious, and so far as we know, quite original. When there is nothing between the jaws, or so long as the handle is held up, the vise can be turned on its swivel at the will of the operator, as shown in Fig. 1, but the moment the grip is set the vise becomes immovable upon the table. By raising the handle again,

screws S. On the inner portion of the disks is a pin K, which, when the lever is raised as shown, presses down the end of a pivoted bar J, located inside the hollow jaw. This bar raises the toothed clutch G, and disengages the teeth of the same from the rack H. Under these conditions, it will be seen that, by pulling or pushing on the handle,

of the way of the workman. This vise received the Medal of Progress and a diploma of honor at the Vienna Exposition, and the first premium at the fair of the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, in 1874—the only times it has been exhibited. These vises are equally adapted to heavy and light work, and will form valuable additions to workshop plant. Mr. Charles Parker, Meriden, Conn., is the manufacturer.

Miniature Steam Engines.—Mr. C. C. Thomas has on exhibition at the fair of the San Francisco Mechanical Institute a steam engine which can easily be covered by a thumb. It is of the vertical type, three-quarters of an inch high in its greatest height. The cylinder is one eighth of an inch bore and three-sixteenths of an inch stroke. The valve

mores one-thirty-second of an inch. The engine is made of gold and silver, the working parts, however, being made of steel. The whole thing is set on a California gold dollar and can be covered up with a No. 6 thimble. Mr. Thomas made a little lathe to turn out the different parts of this machine, and every piece is as perfect as it would be in one of a large scale. The engine is all constructed in such a manner as to be taken apart, the whole being made like an or-

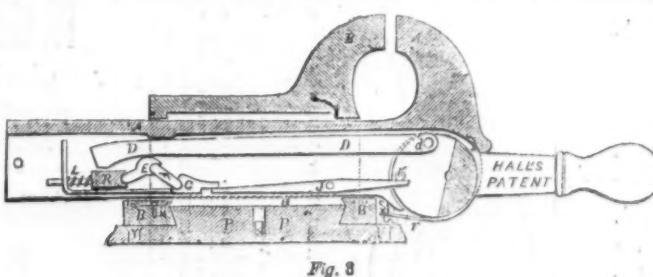


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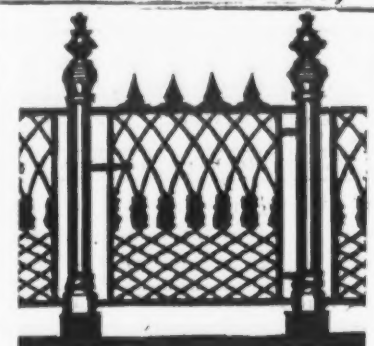
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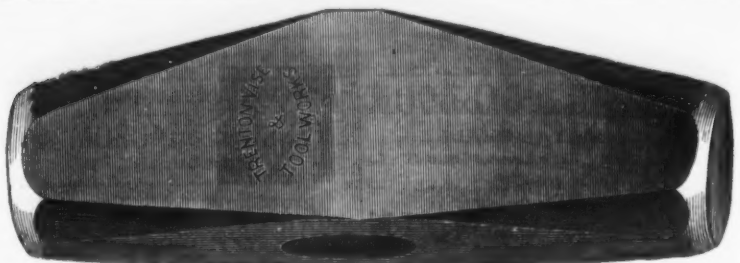
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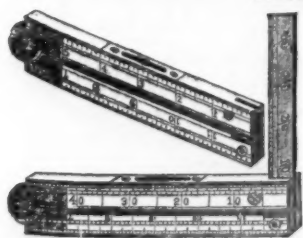
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The great bridge over the Missouri River, at Atchison, Kansas, which was opened with interesting ceremonies on the 4th instant, was built by the American Bridge Company. Work was begun on the 9th of August, 1874, under the direction of Major O. B. Gunn, engineer, assisted by Capt. Marion. The structure was completed July 31, 1875. On the 30th of July, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, less than one half of the iron for the last span was in place, and the balance, over 100 tons, was lying upon the east shore, a portion of it over a quarter of a mile distant, and all of it had to be trucked 600 feet, and across the two spans already raised. All of this immense weight, consisting of about 800 pieces, ranging in weight from 50 to 4000 lbs. each, was brought forward, raised in place, connected, and made ready to swing, in the unprecedented space of 12 hours, being undoubtedly the fastest time on record, and this too notwithstanding a heavy wind was blowing from the north, attended with sufficient rain for three hours to render everything wet and slippery. The following description of the work, condensed from a long account of the bridge and the opening ceremonies, published in the Atchison Standard, of recent date, will be read with interest:

The bridge is of wrought iron (rectangular truss) on stone piers, and is for highway as well as railway traffic, with sidewalks for foot passengers. The width is 19 feet 6 inches from center to center, the sidewalks being 5 feet on each side. The trusses of the draw are 28 feet high at the ends and 36 feet in the middle over the pier; the trusses of the fixed spans are 28 feet. The bottom chord of the bridge is 10 feet above the high water of 1844. There is a drawspan on the western side 383 feet long, giving 160 feet clear water way on each side; and three fixed spans of 260 feet each—giving a total length of bridge, including abutments (20 feet), of 1182 feet. The approaches—1500 feet on the east and 500 on the west side—are earth embankments. The west approach reaches the street grade at Second street, and the eastern approach descends with a grade of 52 feet per mile, for about a quarter of a mile, where it reaches the level of the Hannibal & St. Joseph and the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific tracks. The west end is directly opposite the terminus of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe and the Central Branch U. P. Railroad tracks, and nearly opposite the depots of the Atchison & Nebraska and Missouri Pacific Railroads.

The foundations consist of four piers and two abutments, the pivot pier being circular, and 46 feet in diameter, and the other three piers being 24x52 feet at the base and 9x26 feet at the top. The total heights of the piers from bed-rock are: Pivot pier (No. 2) 77 feet; No. 3, 92 feet; Nos. 4 and 5, each 105 feet. All of the piers are built of solid masonry of the best quality, laid in hydraulic cement. They were built and sunk upon inverted caissons by the pneumatic process. The west abutment rests on oak piles, driven to bed-rock, and cut off five feet below water mark. The east abutment has a similar foundation, except that the piles have not been driven to bed rock, that not being deemed necessary. The caissons of the main piers were built of solid timber, with working chambers underneath corresponding in dimensions to those of the pier's base. Above the working chamber is nine feet thick—press of solid timber—consisting of layers of large square timber laid at right angles to each other, and every piece bolted through its whole length to the underlying timber. The weight of the three ordinary pier caissons is 450 tons each. The caisson for the pivot pier was 46 feet square and 18 feet in height, and contains 388,900 feet of timber, board measure. The original plan contemplated iron pneumatic tubes, and several of the huge sections for the cylinders were shipped, but it was found that masonry piers could be constructed at much less cost. This was partly due to the fact that a very superior stone—a limestone of exceptional specific gravity and hardness—could be obtained in very thick block and in unlimited quantities at Cottonwood Falls, on the immediate line of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Road, 131 miles from Atchison. The chief difficulty presented in the sinking of these piers arose from the extreme depth of the bed-rock and the depth and force of the current. The average depth to which the four piers are sunk below water is 66 feet; at Leavenworth it was 45 feet, at St. Joseph 55 feet, and at Boonville 87 feet.

The superstructure is of wrought iron, and each member is of sufficient strength to sustain six times the strain which the passage of an ordinary freight train will subject it to. The trusses of the draw span are 18 feet apart in the clear, 28 feet high at the ends, and 36 feet high in the middle, over the pivot pier. Each truss is divided into 25 panels, 14 to each span, with inclined end posts, and vertical intermediate posts, after the plan of the Pratt truss, one of the oldest and best approved plans for long span bridges. The end posts and chord bars are of rolled channel bars, and the intermediate posts and vertical struts of rolled beams, after a design by Wm. G. Coolidge, Esq., the engineer of the American Bridge Company, and used in the Atchison Bridge for the first time. The fixed spans, three in number, are similar in general features of construction to the draw spans, except that the lower chords are made of chord bars, with pin connections, instead of channel bars; and the upper chords are straight with a slight camber, instead of being curved vertically, as in the draw span.

The pivot or draw span is supported on the pivot pier, at the central point, by an immense steel pointed iron pivot, around which the entire weight of the draw span, 500 tons, turns when the draw is swung. A circular track of steel rails, 30 feet in diameter, is laid upon the top of the pivot pier, and traversed

by 24 large iron wheels, each connected at its center by an iron rod or axle with the center pivot. Upon these wheels rests a circular frame work of iron abut 4 feet high, and of great strength, upon which the bridge trusses rest. The whole forms a turn table of immense strength, upon which the great draw span turns with perfect ease when being opened or closed. The draw fixtures are worked by a steam engine, and machinery which is located in an engine house built over the pivot pier, and supported by an iron platform 30 feet above the floor of the bridge. By aid of this machinery the engineer can open and close the latches of the draw at each end, work the end adjustment, and open and close the draw at pleasure. Notwithstanding the great weight of this draw bridge, equal to about 500 tons, it is so nicely balanced and adjusted that the weight of one man at either end will cause a perceptible deflection, and two men can open and close it by hand. All the iron used in members sustaining tensions is of the best double refined American wrought, and those parts subjected to compression, whether of wrought or cast, are of the very best quality. The strains which each member sustains, are based upon each span carrying its own weight, and a moving load of 2500 pounds per lineal foot, which is as great a load as the bridge will ever have to carry during the passage of the heaviest freight train. Each part is proportioned to carry six times such a load on an assumed strength of the iron of 60,000 pounds per square inch of area, as the ultimate strength of breaking load.

The floor and the railway track are supported by wrought iron I beams, fifteen inches deep and weighing 150 pounds per yard. Two of these beams are suspended side by side, at each panel of the bridge, and are securely fastened by the pin connecting the post and chord bars. These floor beams support longitudinal stringers, which in turn support the railway track and the plank flooring for highway travel. Wheel guard timbers are placed on each side of the roadway to prevent the contact of passing wagons with the iron work of the bridge. A sidewalk of five feet in width is built along the entire length of the bridge, on each side, and on the outside of the truss.

American Competition with English Edge Tools.

The Birmingham Daily Post says:

English edge tool makers in particular are fully aware of the success with which certain of their business rivals in America have hustled them in many of our home and foreign markets. So large, however, is the demand at present for good edge tools of almost every description, that there are few edge tool firms in the United Kingdom who have not got plenty of orders upon their books. The English article is not, therefore, out of use, but there is a perceptible increase in the favor in which handy and thoroughly excellent tools are held, both at home and abroad; and this is being encouraged by the growing facilities for manipulating steel, both at home and abroad. Sensible of this, certain American firms are pushing their opportunity. Hence it comes about that American forks and shovels and axes are to be had wherever edge tools are offered in this country. But it would seem that the Americans believe that they can compete with us much more successfully by having branch establishments to manufacture their specialties in this country, rather than by shipping their products from the other side. A firm of cast steel shovel makers at Pittsburgh (Messrs. Hussey, Binns & Co.), who have recently brought out a shovel in which the straps, though of iron, are compact with the steel during the process of casting, and who are making at a very low figure, and with very little manual labor, shovels that are getting very rapidly into use throughout the States, are now, through a representative who has recently come over from Pittsburgh to England, making inquiries which will regulate their action and determine them whether they will themselves begin to make in this country, or whether they will offer their process to English firms or to an English company. If American edge tool makers should begin to produce here goods that are already running English makers hard, then it is to be inferred that their example will be followed by other trans-atlantic hardware manufacturers. If, in such an event, the English firms will keep as well employed as they now are, is another matter.

Condition of the French Industrial Classes.

A committee of the French Assembly has just concluded an elaborate inquiry into the condition of the French working classes. The first broad conclusion arrived at is that artisans in France are no longer sensibly affected in point of health and longevity by the labor they pursue. The sanitary condition of workshops, if not all that could be desired, has undergone an immense improvement during the last quarter of a century, and further legislation in this direction is not required. Symptoms of physical deterioration are unfortunately to be met with, but the causes of this are significantly attributed to the abuse of alcoholic liquors and other excesses. Much is said on the subject of healthy dwellings, and it is gratifying to notice that a great advance has been made in this respect through the efforts of individuals, of companies and of municipalities. It is stated, for instance, that in the north 15 out of 23 mining companies expended 13,000,000, on 7000 houses, occupied by 31,500 persons. The rent of these houses is said to be 20 per cent. lower than the average of the district; but, as they are simply built for the accommodation of the men and families employed at the various mines, a rigid economist might say that the low rent is taken into consideration in determining the rate of wages.

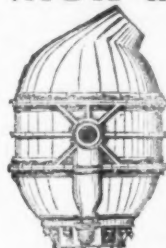
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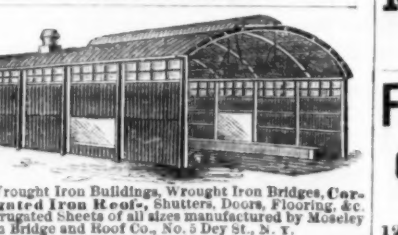
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New Patents.

We take the following abstract of new
patents, recently issued, from the official
record:

MACHINE FOR WELDING AND FINISHING PIPE.
To Mildred Blakey, Etwa, Pa.—Two or more
concave faced rolls in a revolving stock, angular
to the line of feed, and acting circumferentially
on the pipe, grooved feed rolls, tubular
bearing shaft, and mandrel.

1. For welding or finishing pipe, a series of
two or more concave faced rolls arranged in a



rotating head or stock angularly to the line of
feed, and when in operation revolving on their
axes, and also acting circumferentially on the
pipe, either by the revolution of the pipe inside
the rolls or by the revolution of the rolls around
the pipe.

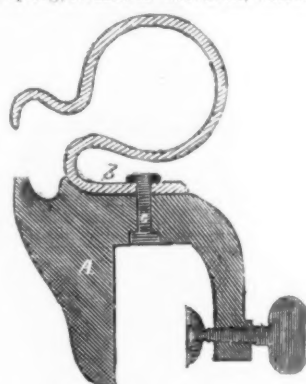
2. A series of two or more rolls D, arranged
and operating as set forth, in combination with
grooved feed rolls A A.

3. Two or more rolls, D, arranged to act cir-
cumferentially on the pipe or skelp, in combi-
nation with a tubular bearing, axle or shaft
through which the skelp or pipe is fed and de-
livered.

4. A mandrel, c, in combination with revolving
circumferentially bearing rolls D.

WRINGER.

To Cornelius E. Haynes, Boston, Mass.—The
bent spring, formed as described, with a bear-



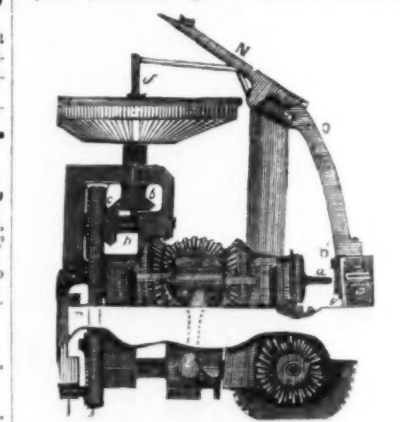
ing for the upper roll in its free end, in combi-
nation with the standard formed with a bearing
for the lower roll, and a seat upon which the
spring is fixed and held.

WRENCH.

To Peter Samuel, New
York, N. Y.—The handle
is pivoted to the fixed
jaw, and has a double
cam at the pivoted end,
against which the
swiveled arm of the
moving jaw bears, so
that a movement of the
handle in either direc-
tion causes the moving
jaw to impinge tightly
against the nut.

In a wrench, the com-
bination of a pivoted
handle having the two
faced cam with a longi-
tudinally recessed head
having a fixed jaw, the
movable jaw a having
a swiveled arm d, a
spring, and screw b.

MACHINE FOR TAPPING NUTS.
To Samuel L. Worsley, Providence, R. I.—The
column of blanks in the receiving stack is sup-
ported by the tap when at work. When the
tap has passed through the blank it comes in



contact with an arm attached to a bell crank
lever, forces it back, and thereby causes the
stop to be withdrawn from the mouth of the
stack, to allow the previously tapped blank to
fall. When the tap is withdrawn, a spring
forces the stop back to its normal position.

1. The combination of the revolving dish M',
for containing nut-blanks in a mass, and the
vibrating separator N, when the latter is con-
structed with a shovel end, m, a mortise n, and
guard o.

2. The combination of the vibrating mortised
separator N with a stationary receiving stack
and a spring check.

3. The combination of the threading tap a
with the device, substantially as described, for
discharging the nuts one by one.

4. The combination and arrangement of the
threading-tap a with the stack O and holder O'
for the nut blanks, whereby the said tap, while

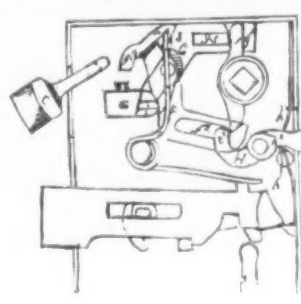
threading the blank in the column of blanks
next above the last threaded blank, shall sup-
port the whole column of blanks above the tap
while the underlying nut is being discharged.

REVERSIBLE LATCH.

To John Moore, Brooklyn, E. D., N. Y.—1.
The jointed sliding link or horseshoe, in com-
bination with the tail piece of a detachable
latch and the horns of a knob shaft hub.

2. The combination of the pivoted joint F of
the horse shoe with the lever H, projecting
through the shell of the lock.

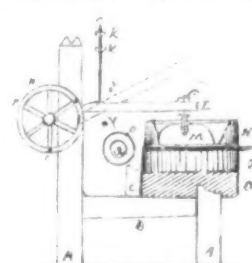
3. The combination of the pivoted joint F,
provided with the slot f', and the movable guide
pin i, affixed to the inner end of the lever H,
with the notch h', and a screw passing through



the lock, for the purpose of maintaining the
pin i in suitable position to act as a guide for
the horseshoe in its reciprocating movement.

MEAT CUTTER.

To A. B. Good, Conestoga, Pa.—The levers
carrying the knives strike against a bar situated



under the rear ends of the levers, and the
descent of the knives is accelerated by the re-
action of the bar. The combination of the
knife-carrying levers L, and the arresting bar Y.

HAND VISE.

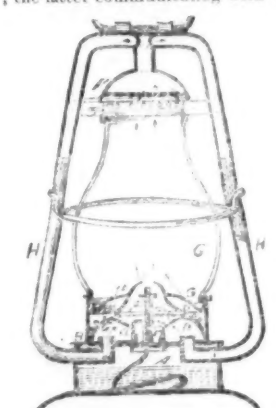
To Leonard L. Pollard, Worcester, Mass.—A
portion of the screw shank is
smooth, and fits in a cor-
responding socket in the up-
per end of the handle, to protect
the screw thread from dirt or
filings.

The hand vise herein de-
scribed, consisting of the
pivoted jaws A A, springs a a,
and screw shank B, the upper
part thereof formed smooth,
to fit with a close joint into a
recess, E, in the handle C, said
handle having a conical end,
d, for operating the jaws.

LANTERN.

To Chas. J. Sykes, Chicago,
Ill.—1. In combination with
the tubes H H, arranged to
pass into the oil pot and up-
ward through the cover, the
convex cap C, forming chamber D, the
latter communicating with the interior of the
cone through the perforated plate d.

2. In combination with the removable per-
forated rim F, the plate G, arranged to receive
the lower end of the globe, and to form cham-
ber D, the latter communicating with the in-

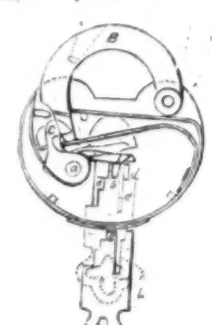


terior of the globe through the distributing
perforations in the plate.

3. The hinged perforated ring L, in combi-
nation with hood K and perforated diaphragm h.

PADLOCK.

To Wm. H. Andrews, New Haven, Conn.—The
combination, in a padlock, of the bar B, the

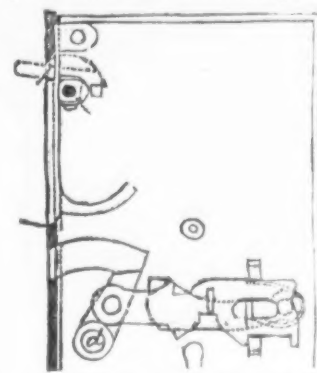


pivoted catch C, the slot H in the edge of the
lock, the rotating notch cam P, and drop R
upon the outside for rotating said cam, and the
key L.

LOCK FOR SLIDING DOORS.

To Frank Corbin, New Britain, Conn.—The

combination, with a door lock, of a swinging
pull pivoted to the back of the face plate, a d



provided with the tail piece c, stopping against
the block a upon the inside of the lock case.

HARNES SNAP.

(Issued Aug. 17th).
To Eleazer Kempshall, New
Britain, Conn.—An extra notch
or shoulder on the rear end of
the tongue locks it in place,
and prevents its being acci-
dentally opened.

A snap hook, having the
hook b', the inwardly swing-
ing tongue c, having at its
rear end the mortise d, with
shoulder e, and the spring f
lying within the pocket b'.



The City of Peking.

Opinions having been expressed in journals
unfavorable to American shipbuilding interests
that the iron ships Peking and Tokio were bad-
ly constructed of poor materials, we print the
following official report upon her condition by
a board of engineers appointed to examine her
at San Francisco:

SAN FRANCISCO, AUG. 26th, 1875.

The President and Board of Directors of the
Pacific Mail Steamship Company: GENTLEMEN
—As requested by you, we have surveyed the
City of Peking at this port.

After a careful survey, we find that the ship
has been strained during her passage from New
York to San Francisco, caused by her being
loaded too deep, and also from having her cargo
and ballast stowed in the ends forward and
abaft of the machinery space.

The consumption of coal lightened her four
feet nine inches, and this was taken out of the
amidships, leaving the ends loaded; the buoy-
ancy under the amidship section—which is 140
feet in length, and above one-third of her en-
tire displacement, or one-half of her carrying
capacity in dead weight—is so heavy that in
stormy weather the ship must have been under
a strain such as no one would have prepared
for. We are surprised to find that she has not
received more damage than now exists or has
been reported to us.

The damage to the vessel consists of loose
rivets, which are scattered, showing that there
is no local weakness, but a general straining of
the vessel. At present, most of these rivets are
in the after section, which excess, in our opin-
ion, is due to the broken propeller, it having
lost two contiguous blades, giving it an eccen-
tric motion, causing a heavy jar to the after
section of the vessel, the ship having run in this
condition 71 days. We find that the straining
of the vessel during the entire voyage, of 85
days steaming in the condition as herein stated,
shows in many places the effects of the strains
she had been exposed to, and if not attended
to will lead to greater expense in the future, as
it is impossible to repair an iron ship efficiently
that has been strained by making good those
parts only that show damage.

It will require additional strength to make
her equal to what she was when she left the
port of New York. To accomplish this we
recommend as follows, viz.: A box stringer
on each bilge, to extend for a length of 250
feet amidships. A box-stringer on each side of
orlop deck, to extend for a length of 140 feet
in machinery space. A box-stringer on each
side of steerage deck, extending for a length of
380 feet amidships. The steerage deck to be of
iron 7-16th of an inch thick, for a length of 244
feet amidships. The spar deck to be of iron
7-16th of an inch thick, for a length of 266 feet
amidships. The bulkheads forward and aft of
machinery space to be extended to sides of ves-
sel between steerage and main deck. For the
general arrangement we refer to the drawings,
which show location. Rivets should be care-
fully sounded, and when found defective, be
replaced. We request that the sounding be
done with care, so as not to cause unnecessary
damage.

We find that the ship's plating in holds below
steerage deck and cross floors requires cleaning
and painting. Also, repairs are required to the
cementing in the bottom of the ship. After
having made our survey of the vessel, we are
surprised at the report made by the local in-
spectors at Hong Kong, wherein they prohibited
the ship from carrying passengers, and we
think they acted very unjustly toward the com-
pany. In support of this statement, no better
evidence can be offered than the fact of the
vessel never having damaged any cargo.

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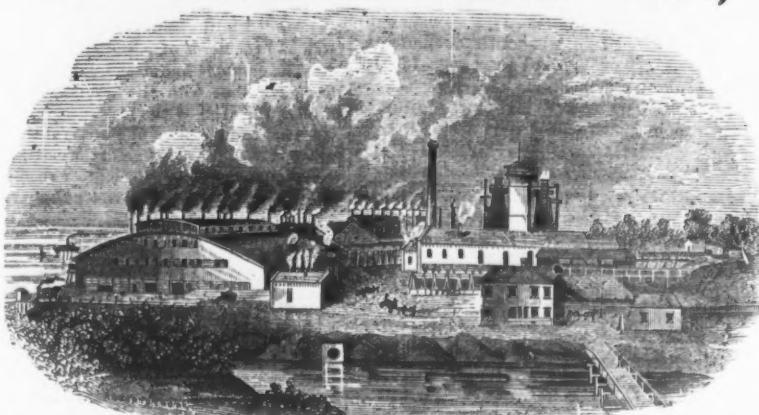
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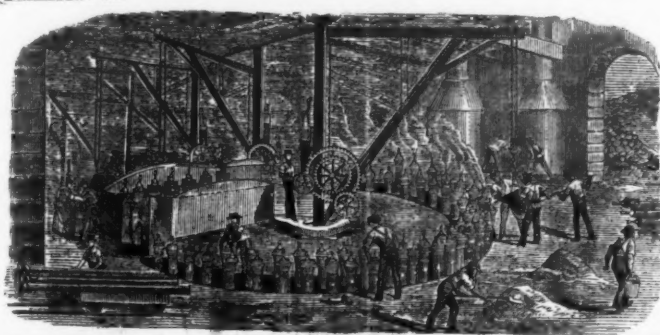
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No. IV.

Bending tests proved that the elasticity was materially altered within the zone around the holes. Strips of Bessemer plate, one edge of which was cut and the other punched, reached the form shown in Fig. 16. The cracks appeared always on the edges, especially on the punched side, and never in the middle. If this result is compared with that obtained with the Bessemer planed plates (Fig. 4) it will be seen that these tools had the effect of locally reducing the elasticity of the metal.

This zone of alteration appeared, according to the foregoing experiments, not to extend more than .07 in. from the edge. It was then decided to find out if removing the zone surrounding the punched hole removed the cause of the results observed. New bars were cut from a Terre-Noire plate, and a cylindrical hole was punched .669 in. in diameter, with a die .708 in.; this hole was then enlarged, by cutting out a ring of metal .039 in., .078 in., and .118 in. wide, so that the holes became .747 in., .825

form. So far the rings obtained by the two modes were in precisely the same conditions. As to those with punched holes, it was necessary to exert a greater effort to commence flattening them. They could resist only a trifling deformation, and cracks manifested themselves almost immediately (Fig. 22). Figs. 23, 24, 25, represent some of these rings after complete rupture, and it will be observed that each of the fragments forms part of the original circle. It was also remarked that they offered a greater resistance to the action of the file.

Rings with punched holes were also heated in a gas furnace to a cherry red, they were then allowed to cool and subjected to the same test of deformation; all of them were completely flattened (Fig. 26). Cracks appeared however when, after having been flattened, they were brought partially back to their original form (Fig. 27). Other rings treated similarly were cut through, and these could be completely straightened and restored to form; they were then flattened, as shown in Fig. 28, without cracking, but with further flattening the cracks appeared. This last experiment proves clearly that the action of the punch does not produce cracks around the hole it forms. Some authors

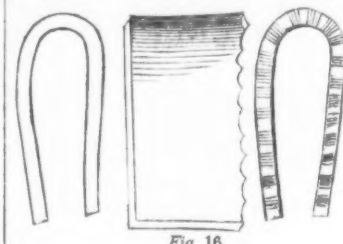


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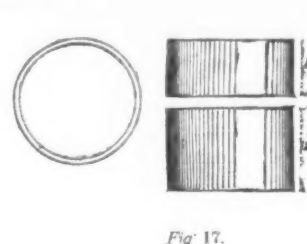


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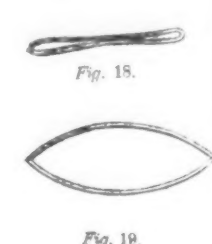


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Fig. 20.



Fig. 21.



Fig. 22.



Fig. 23.



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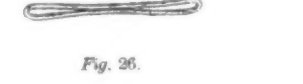


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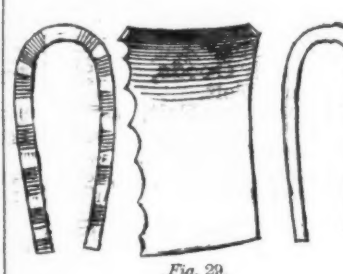


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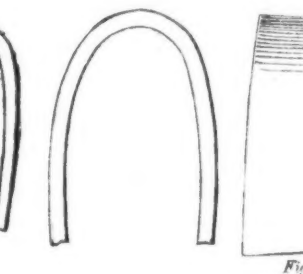


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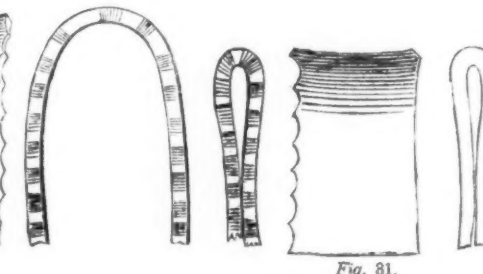


Fig. 31.

in. and .905 in. in diameter. With these the following results were obtained.

TABLE No. IX.

Width of Bars.	Greatest Diameter of Holes.	Resistance to Rupture in tons per sq. in. of Original Section.
1.96	.747	32.30
1.96	.825	31.52
1.96	.905	32.27

So that bars of the same width 1.96 in. showed an ultimate resistance of 25.86 tons per square inch, with a punched hole .669 in. in diameter, and more than 32 tons per square inch, with the same hole enlarged by .708 in. Cutting away this zone around the punched hole, removed the weakness due to the punching.

This experiment being one of great importance it was repeated with plates .314 in. thick. From the same Terre-Noire plate, bars 2.362 in. wide were cut, in which cylindrical holes, .708 in. in diameter were formed. Some of these holes were drilled out; in the others a hole .629 in. was first punched and then enlarged by drilling to .708 in. Thus there were two sets of bars identical in appearance. The mean resistances to rupture were as follows:

With the drilled holes, Tons per square inch. 31.29
With the enlarged punched holes, 30.17
Other bars cut from a Terre-Noire plate .472 in. thick gave the following average results:

TABLE No. X.

Holes drilled to .669 in.	Resistance to rupture in tons per square inch of original section.
Holes punched to .669 in.	34.61
Holes punched to .669 in.	37.76
Holes enlarged to .669 in.	33.98
Holes punched to .511 in.	33.47
Holes enlarged to .669 in.	

It is thus clearly shown that plates from .275 in. to .472 in. in thickness, are relieved from the weakening influence of punching, by cutting away the annular zone surrounding the holes for a thickness of .039 in.

It was of interest to examine this zone carefully. With this object, holes were made of the same diameter in Terre-Noire plates of .315 in. and .472 in. thickness, some of them being drilled, and the others punched and enlarged .078 in. in diameter. The surrounding plate was then carefully cut away in a lathe, leaving the zone in question intact, and by this means rings about .0196 in. in thickness were obtained (Fig. 17).

In flattening these rings very different results were obtained. The rings from the drilled holes were completely flattened under a hammer without cracking (Fig. 18); but in endeavoring to restore them to their original form they cracked at the extremities (Fig. 19).

The rings formed from enlarged punching were then subjected to the same test (Fig. 20); the first crack appeared when the form, Fig. 21, was attained in restoring the ring to its original

have accounted for the reduced resistance of punched plates on the hypothesis of incipient rupture.

The Martin plates from Creusot were affected almost exactly in the same way as the Bessemer plates. Strips of Martin steel having one edge cut and the other punched, and exposed to the bending test, showed signs of cracking when they attained the form of which Fig. 29 gives the mean. These cracks appeared almost at the same time on the punched as on the cut side. The strips of Martin steel were .354 in. thick; those of the Bessemer metal subjected to the same test (Fig. 16) were only .314 in. thick; taking this difference of thickness into consideration it will be seen that cutting and punching affect both kinds of metal almost equally.

Bars 2.86 in. wide of Martin steel, having a hole punched in the center of each, and broken in the tensile test, showed a mean resistance of 21.87 tons per square inch. Bars of similar width cut from the same plate and with drilled holes gave a mean resistance of 27.70 tons.

In Table No. VII. it was shown that Bessemer steel test bars of the same width showed an average ultimate strength of about 25.26 tons. Other bars from a Bessemer plate and of same width, gave 25.42 tons with punched holes, and 32.58 tons per inch with holes drilled.

According to these figures with a bar 2.36 in. wide, the apparent loss in tensile strength is 21 per cent. for the Martin plates, and 22 per cent. for the Bessemer plates; they may thus be considered as identical.

Rings similar to those already described were cut from Martin steel, and tested under precisely similar conditions as those of the Bessemer metal, and the results were practically the same.

Tempering has a remarkable influence on punched steel plates. The effects were first observed in plates cut like the previous ones from Terre-Noire and Bessemer plates. One side was cut and the other punched. These strips were heated to cherry red, tempered in cold water, and then subjected to the bending test. The first cracks appeared when brought to the form shown in Fig. 30 for the Bessemer plates, and to Fig. 31 for the Martin plates. The cracks were produced as often in the central part as on the punched and cut edges. If these deformations are compared with those obtained after tempering on the planed strips as shown in Figs. 6 and 7, the slight difference between the similar classes of plates will be observed.

Tests of tempered metal were also made on bars 2.36 in. wide cut from the Bessemer and Martin plates, with a hole of .669 in. in the center of each, some of them drilled and others punched. These bars broken under tensile strain showed resistances of which the following are means:

TABLE No. XI.

Resistance to rupture in tons per square inch.		
Bessemer plates.		Martin plates.
Drilled holes	44.50	34.42
Punched holes	42.20	33.34

It will be seen from this that steel punched and sheared and afterward tempered, is brought to the same condition as if its edges had been planed, and the holes drilled.

From experiments made with annealed rings produced in the manner already described, annealing ought to produce a very beneficial effect on the tensile strength of punched plates. This, mentioned already by several authors, was

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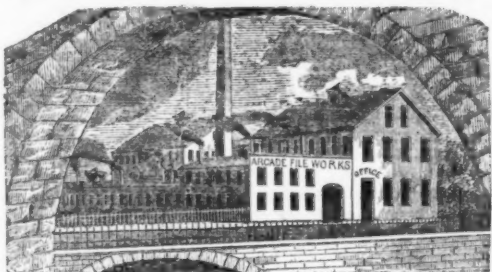


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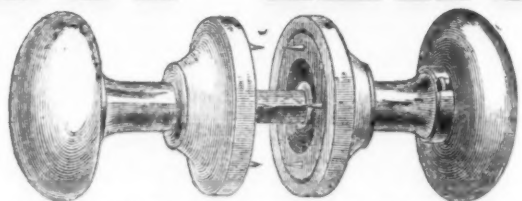
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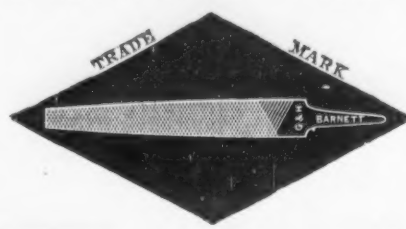
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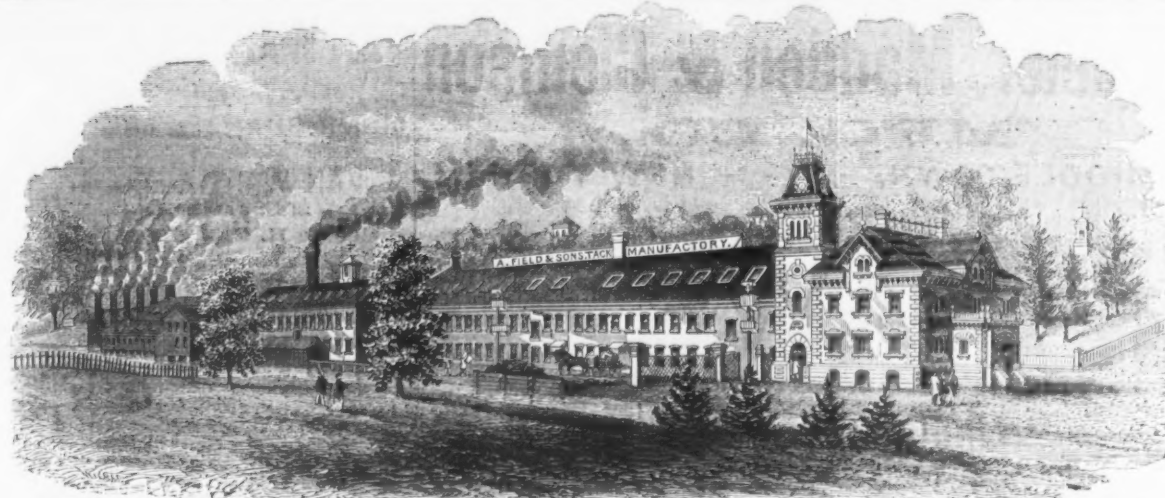
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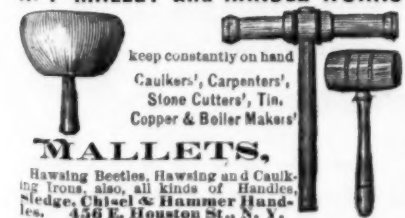
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BUSINESS ITEMS.

NEW YORK.

Weed & Becker's axe factory, at Cohoes, the principal part of which was destroyed by fire, is now rebuilt, the machinery in order, and running day and night to supply the orders that arrived while they were shut down.

Rathbone, Sard & Co.'s pattern room, connected with their stove foundry, Albany, was burned Sept. 18. Loss, from \$50,000 to \$60,000. Insured.

NEW JERSEY.

At the works of the Serev Reaper and Mower Company, located at Phillipsburg and Karitan, from 100 to 175 workmen are employed in the manufacture of the screw gear reaper and mower, grain drills, horse powers, "telegraph" fodder cutters, and other machines for farmers' use. Of fodder cutters they build five different sizes.

A stock company is being formed at Newark for the manufacture of the Little Giant Chemical Fire Engine. Over 125 shares have been sold at \$100 each.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Chester Edge Tool Works, which have been idle for the past eight months, have resumed business.

Riehle Bros., Philadelphia Scale and Testing Machine Works, have built a large new factory on Ninth street, above Master, to which they are now removing. They will have one of the most complete scale works in the country, with new machinery designed and built at their own works for the manufacture of their patent scales and testing machines and hydraulic work.

Among the noticeable features at the establishment of the Schuykill Haven Rolling Mill Company is a set of immense scales of 85,000 pounds capacity. The company are at present employing about 60 hands, and turning out about 12 tons of manufactured iron per day, with a capacity for double that amount in busier times. They have a contract for supplying the new chain cable works, just erected in the vicinity, with large quantities of their iron, to be manufactured and welded into chain.

Reis, Brown & Berger, of New Castle, are shipping boat spikes to California.

The Lehigh Valley Spike Works have stopped operations for want of iron, it is said, and Cole & Hellman's boiler works are temporarily idle on the same account.

The Kittanning *Sentinel* says the slag of the Brady Bend Iron Works is being worked over again. The iron is as good as the first run, and the process is remunerative.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The firm of Wm. Allen & Son, at the Worcester Boiler Works, have commenced work on six boilers, to be used for heating the new State Lunatic Asylum. The contract, which amounts to about \$10,000, was awarded them in preference to seventeen other bidders. The boilers when set will be one of the finest "nests" of boilers in New England, being made of Bay State steel plate, and will be made and fitted in the first-class manner of the manufacturing firm. The boilers will give an aggregate of 550 horse-power, being each 19 feet long and 5 feet in diameter. The steel plate of which they are built is greatly superior to that usually used in boilers, and is well worth examination by any parties using steam.

The Holyoke Machine Company sent some of its paper machinery to France, a while ago, the first of the kind ever used there—and now Martin Lawlor is to go over there to superintend putting it up.

B. M. Couch, of Northampton, is making patterns for an immense emery wheel, 36 inches in diameter and 8 inches thick, which the Northampton Emery Wheel Company are making for the United States Mint in California. In making this wheel a force of 1000 tons, hydraulic pressure, will be used, though the company has facilities for 3000 tons.

The five hundred horse-power Corliss engine in the New England Iron Company's Rolling Mill, at Hyde Park, which is being torn down, and which is one of the largest in the State, has been sold to a firm in Springfield, Ill., for \$8000.

G. O. Dunbar, of Pittsfield, the inventor of the patent street lamp extinguisher, has sold the right of New York State for \$10,000. The 83 instruments used on the Pittsfield lamps save the town \$250 a year.

Only sixty hands are now employed by the Ames Plow Company, Easton. In prosperous times they furnish employment to about 250 men.

The Middleboro' Shovel Works are running night and day to keep up with their orders.

Both of the furnaces at Massillon are out of blast. They have been banked up for a while on account of lack of coal.

The Bellaire Nail Works are running double turn.

The Cleveland Rolling Mill Company are running one of their sheet furnaces with gas obtained from their well, the supply being too small to use it in others. The present supply of gas was found at a depth of from 800 to 900 feet, but the sinking was continued to a depth of 1305 feet, in the hope of finding more, which hope was not realized. The company propose to sink other wells.

Belfont Furnace, Ironton, is still running on Kanawha coal.

The Cleveland Rolling Mill Company manufactured 4500 tons of Bessemer rails, and nearly 1000 tons of wire during August.

The Anchor Iron and Steel Co., Cincinnati, expect to get their financial affairs in such a position as to be enabled, in a short time, to resume operations.

The Dayton Saw Works has recently been supplied with new machinery, and is running full. They exhibited their saws last year at the Southern Ohio Fair and took first premium

for all their saws. The present capacity of these works is about \$75,000 worth of saws per annum.

The McKinney Manufacturing Co., manufacturers of wrought butts and hinges, at Hamilton, are running their works full, principally upon hinges. They have done a fair business during the present season.

ILLINOIS.

The Chicago Cutlery Manufacturing Company was established in 1865, and has a paid-up capital of \$100,000; employs 150 hands, and is selling products to the amount of \$200,000 per annum.

The Northwestern Horse Nail Company have recently added a large amount of new machinery to their extensive works in Chicago, one item of which is a new department supplied with their newly patented machines for finishing and polishing the nails, so that every nail is ready to be driven into the shoe, the finished nail being supplied at an advance of only one cent per pound over the unpunctured nail. These works turned out the past year 1000 tons of horse shoe nails.

The works of the South Lawn Plow Company, of Chicago, are nearly completed, and the company have commenced operations with a force of 50 men.

Dyer, Lamb & Co., of Chicago, are building a new and extensive foundry and shops at South Chicago. The main or center building is circular, 80 feet in diameter, and in the center of this is a powerful crane with a 40 foot arm, the end of which rests and moves on rollers around on the top of the wall, which is 30 feet high. The cupolas are outside the wall, the metal being discharged within the circular building. Other buildings also connect with this central building. It is intended to be the most complete foundry in the West.

The boiler shops of Peter Devine, Chicago, are having a good run of work, and among all the principal manufacturing concerns of that city we hear of a very encouraging state of business, all seeming to expect a good fall trade.

WISCONSIN.

It is reported that the blast furnace at Iron Ridge is blown out, and in all probability will not start again before spring, if it does then. The company has over 800 tons of iron on the bank, and is shipping no ore. The last sale of iron made was \$25.50, five months' time, without interest.

Work is steady in all departments of the Bay View Rolling Mill. The company are putting in machines to make horse shoes, coupling links and pins for railroad cars.

CALIFORNIA.

The Pacific Saw Manufacturing Company, of San Francisco, has now been in operation almost nine years, and opened out a very important mechanical enterprise. The company also manufacture reaper and mower sections, planing knives, carriers' knives, saw mandrels, etc.

KANSAS.

Jefferson county has ordered two new iron bridges from the Leavenworth Bridge Company.

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An enterprising firm of dealers in bells are advertising their wares in a novel and original manner. We quote the following real little essay on the moral influence of church bells, from an advertisement which we find in an exchange:

"Many of our feeble churches now without a bell, would use every effort to procure one, did they fully appreciate its value as a church help. The church is nothing except it gather together the people within its walls; and no material agency effects this assemblage so much as a bell on the church. Its first ringing on Sunday morning announces to the people that service is surely set for that day. It stirs them up to make ready and be in season when the worship begins. It serves as a general invitation to all within hearing to come to the house of God. Each one feels himself solicited by its loud calls. The stranger who may have just entered the place to settle, and the stranger stopping at the hotel, as well as the members of the church, count themselves to be welcomed by its cordial tones.

"The bell also serves to awaken the consciences of some in whom the habit of church-going has become weak. To those who do not know the location of the church, it declares the way—to those who would forget the hour of service it points the time. It is, in fact, the general voice of mother church herself, to the world without, exhorting them to attend her courts.

"There is many a country church whose half empty seats are largely owing to the want of a bell to declare its existence and locality. There is many a struggling congregation whose weakness and troubles would quickly disappear if they would raise a bell to ring the mass of the people together. For want of such a proclamation, the world often knows nothing either of the church's presence or its place.

"All the people of any town have an interest in owning a church bell. They need it for funerals and weddings, for days of rejoicing and for national celebrations. It may ring for a fire and prevent a conflagration. In short, a church bell is a possession and a treasure to the whole community in the midst of which it is placed."

The St. Louis Bridge Company.—The Circuit Court, at St. Louis, has issued an order relative to the payment of interest on the first mortgage bonds of the St. Louis Bridge Company. According to its stipulation, the receivers are to provide for the payment of the interest due Oct. 1 by borrowing such money as is necessary over the amount already in their possession applicable to this demand, at any rate of interest not exceeding 7 per cent. per annum. For the money thus borrowed, the receivers are authorized to pledge the net receipts that come into their hands after the payment of the necessary expenses attendant on the operating and preserving the bridge and the payment of taxes, and any notes that may come due for which real estate of the company has been pledged as security.

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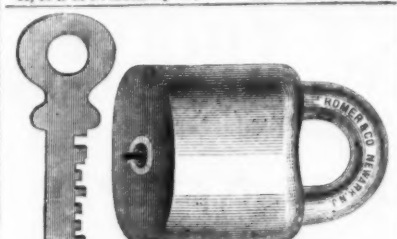
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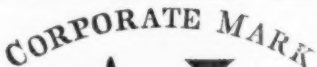
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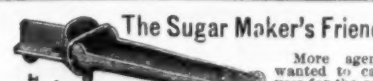
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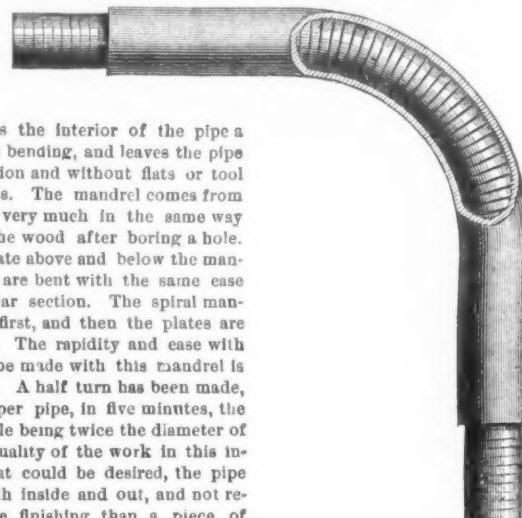
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Flexible Mandrels for Bending Metal Pipe.

Every one who has had experience in putting up any kind of work in which bent pipes or tubes are used, knows the great difficulty and expense of making bends in pipes. The time required to make a bend, and hammer and file it smooth on the outside, adds very greatly to the expense of work in which bent pipes occur. The methods commonly employed is to fill the pipe with sand, rosin, or some fusible metal, stopping the ends to prevent the material from escaping, and then make the bend, hammering to preserve the pipe round and to take down wrinkles. With lead and iron pipes it is sometimes customary to fill with sand and bend by the use of a roller and curved groove, in which the pipe is laid. This, though not very expensive, is rather unsatisfactory, because the pipe is generally badly flattened and often destroyed entirely. Bends in iron pipe, when they are very short, or when they comprise a good portion of a circle, are awkward to make, and when made the pipe is very frequently found to have lost a good portion of its strength by reason of kinks, wrinkles, and the stretch of the metal.

Quite a number of inventors have attacked this problem, but they have not been very successful. The flexible mandrel, which we illustrate this week, the invention of Mr. Morris L. Orum, of Philadelphia, seems to give a satisfactory solution of the difficulty. It consists of a spiral spring, made from square wire and coiled so that the wires in successive coils touch each



other. This gives the interior of the pipe a perfect support in bending, and leaves the pipe with uniform section and without flats or tool marks in the bends. The mandrel comes from the pipe readily, very much in the same way that a bit leaves the wood after boring a hole. By using a flat plate above and below the mandrel, square pipes are bent with the same ease as those of circular section. The spiral mandrel is taken out first, and then the plates are easily withdrawn. The rapidity and ease with which bends can be made with this mandrel is quite remarkable. A half turn has been made, in a 1 1/2 inch copper pipe, in five minutes, the radius of the circle being twice the diameter of the pipe. The quality of the work in this instance was all that could be desired, the pipe being smooth both inside and out, and not requiring any more finishing than a piece of straight pipe would. Bends of this kind can be made at any point in a pipe with the same ease as at the end. If a bend is to be made in the center of a long length of pipe, a short spring is placed on the end of a key of proper length; it is then pushed in to its proper place and the bend made, when the mandrel and key are withdrawn in the usual manner. One of these bends, such as we have described, would take a coppermith nearly an hour to do and finish in the same style. In fact, the work can be done in about the same time it would take to fill the pipe with rosin preparatory to bending. In filling a pipe with rosin or lead much time is lost in waiting for the material to cool, and after the bend is made time is required to melt the rosin or lead out of the pipe and insure a clean bore. Mandrels are at present made for bending pipe up to 5 inches in diameter, and this size is in course of preparation. The operation of bending is a very simple one, the mandrel being inserted with a key into the pipe at the proper point, and the pipe bent around a grooved block by means of a press or by hand, according to the kind and size of pipe. We have seen samples of copper, tin, and sheet zinc pipes bent in very short turns by this process, which were exceedingly perfect in all respects. The inventor's address is Morris L. Orum, 702 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, care of J. Snowden Bell, attorney.

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PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 27, 1875.

The week just closed has been one of decided activity in business circles, almost all branches showing more activity than at any previous period this year. In pig iron, your market reports for this week will show, doubtless, larger transactions than have been noted as yet for any one week since the panic, while the least that is said about prices the better. Rumors are current on the street that the proposition of the Reading Coal and Iron Company to the furnaces, to furnish them with stock and take the product, has been withdrawn on account of the small number of furnace owners accepting the terms. As I have not had an opportunity to verify this officially, I give it for what it is worth, and in the belief that it is true. Whether so or not, the effect of the proposition in the pig iron market has been patent to all, and quite as decided as if it had been purposely done to depress prices, which there is no reason to believe. The increased sales are in part due to the usual desire of consumers to stock up before close of navigation; in part to the favorable concessions made by holders in order to get rid of their metal before the market was further weighted with heavy stocks. Whatever may have been the cause, a few weeks of such transactions as have marked the last would soon clear out the accumulation of stocks, and have the furnace banks free for next winter's production.

The general business of the West is reported to be very good, and telegrams from Chicago report last week's trade to have been the largest ever done in that city. All the theories of finance, so freely bandied, the clamors for a change of currency or a change of administration, the diatribes against a hard or soft currency, and the platitudes about want of con-

science, melt into nothingness, under the presence of the possession of something to sell, which the world wants. Panics have come under specie payments as under currency rules, under Democratic as under Republican regimes, and the history of the past only serves to show that no particular or especial political or financial principles will avert them. They work their own cure by enforcing economy, thrift, settlement of debts, curtailment of undue credit, and greater caution in trading, and are invariably succeeded by seasons of prosperity, only in turn to reproduce themselves from the original and inherent causes. But when it is an ascertained fact that Great Britain will require, this year at least, 90,000,000 bushels of grain for breadstuffs, and that this country has a very large surplus to export, and is in a better position to supply the British shortage than any other country, we have the something the world wants, and our trade revives, the effects of panics disappear, and all the theories of what can or cannot, should or should not be done, melt under the application of the logic of facts. In connection with this matter, the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics issues some figures which support the views here taken in the imports and exports of merchandise for the month of August and the eight months of the current year. The imports of merchandise for the month in 1875 show a decrease of about \$1,000,000 from those of August, 1874; but those of the eight months closed with August, 1875, are nearly \$36,000,000 less. Our exports, however, for the eight months show a decrease of nearly sixty millions. These figures indicate more clearly than anything else can the effect of panic upon the business of the nation, and a comparison of them with the increase to be expected at the close of December will show the revival of our export trade. The figures of the coal product for the year are curious and instructive. Notwithstanding the strike in the collieries, which suppressed production for more

than five months, there is only a reduction of 745,503 tons in the eight months of this year. In other words the miners to make up for the lost time of the strike, have been doing fair work, and have shown that they can take out in three months all that is needed to supply the market. What this will result in remains to be seen—either production will be stopped and wages with it, or coal must be cheapened and demand increased. It further shows, however, that the coal companies, and through them, the public, have been paying for a great deal of work that never was done, and the effect upon the miner in any case is likely to be either a reduction or entire stoppage. Practically the first result will be the breaking of the combination, sharp competition in prices of coal and a benefit to consumers.

In a late letter I noticed the proposed trial of the Baxter steam street car by one of our suburban horse roads. This trial has resulted in complete failure; not, indeed, from any inherent fault of the steam car, but from bad construction of the road itself. The difficulty encountered consisted of the shortness of the curves of the track as laid under direction of the city engineers. Both horse and steam cars experience like difficulty in rounding these curves, the obstacle being, of course, worse with the locomotive. The trial terminated with an accident to the engine, but is not considered as indicating anything, either for or against, steam traction on city railways. But it leaves the question still undecided and open.

An improvement in that class of stoves having open grate fires has lately appeared, and is a veritable novelty. This is the addition of a bright nickel-plated plate suspended over the fire and moved by a crank passing through the side of the stove. While the fire is being kindled the plate is turned perpendicularly toward the front, which prevents it from being smoked; but after the fuel is fairly ignited the plate is turned back at an angle of 45 degrees, as indicated by the wheel on the side of the stove. The reflection gives the appearance of a double fire, and adds much to the cheerfulness of the stove, while the reflection gives additional heat, and apparently the greatest from the plate, as it is felt instantly at the opposite side of a large room. There is a clear gain in heating power obtained, since the heat rays are reflected into the room, while the rush of air usually passing up the chimney of an open stove is checked and thrown down on the fuel, producing surface combustion, while the draught at the base may be shut off, giving a clear, bright fire, without extravagant consumption of fuel.

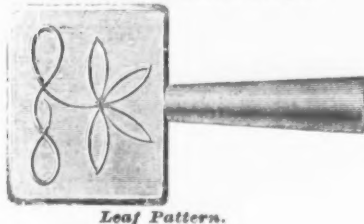
A new bronze statue has just been completed at the works of Messrs. Robert Wood & Co., and exhibited previous to being shipped to Boston, where it will be erected on Commonwealth avenue. The subject is Gen. John Glover, a native of Salem, Mass., and a revolutionary hero. The statue was ordered by the late B. Tyler Reed, of Boston. The artist was Martin Milmore, a young sculptor of remarkable success, at present in Rome. The figure is colossal, and represents the hero in uniform, and the pose is easy and natural. The details of the casting show, however, that the firm of R. D. Wood & Co. are steadily progressing in their specialty, and produce work fully equal to that done abroad.

The city councils have finally passed the ordinance vacating certain streets for the completion of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company's ship yard and dry dock. The work will be at once resumed and the dry dock erected, while the construction of iron colliers will give work to many mechanics. The company is now experimenting in the use of pea coal under the boilers of marine engines, and is so far successful. It is attained, this will reduce the cost of fuel to ocean steamers full one-third, and is highly important.

The telegraph announces the failure of Glass, Neely & Co., Keystone Iron Works, Pittsburgh, with liabilities of \$310,000 and assets of \$350,000, the latter principally in mill building and real estate. This firm was formerly Wilson Glass & Co., and are rolling mill proprietors strictly.

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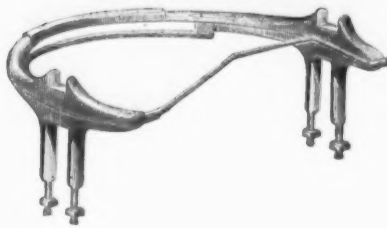
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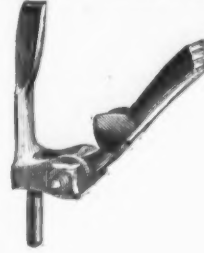


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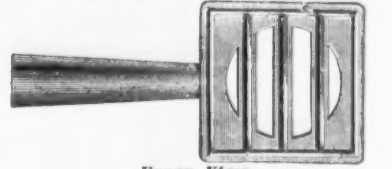
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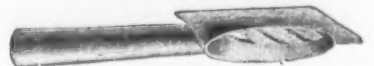
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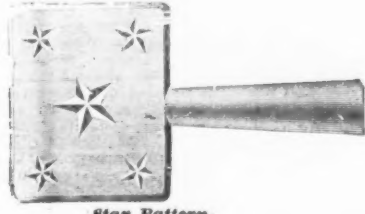
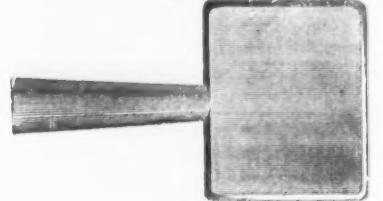


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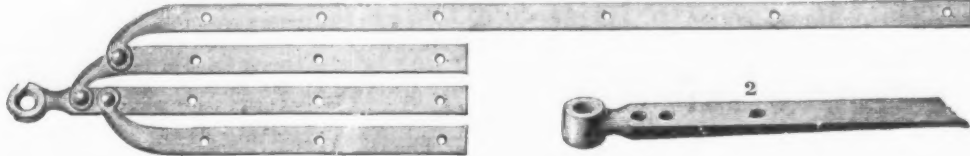
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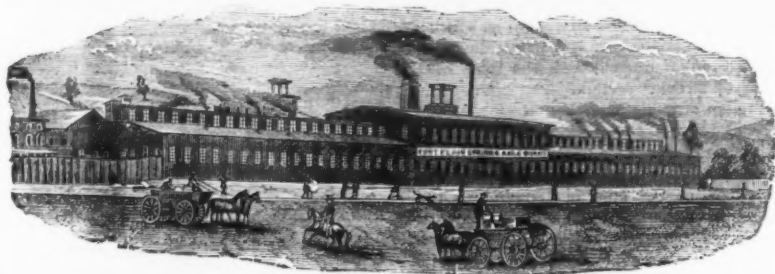
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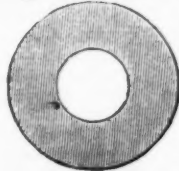
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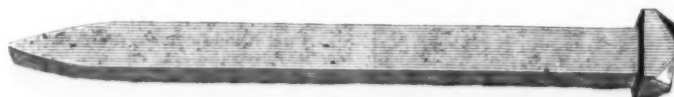
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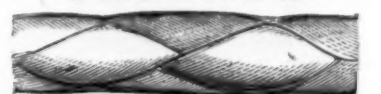
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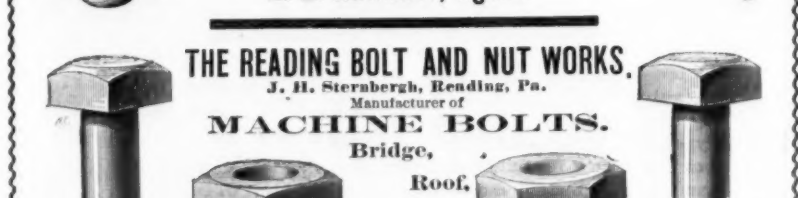


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Dr. Lardner and Ocean Steam Navigation.

Dr. Dionysius Lardner, one of the most clear-headed and practical of the scientific men of the last generation, has been as much laughed at without cause as any man who ever lived. Whenever the newspaper writer, the popular lecturer or the average preacher wants an illustration of the fallibility of scientific calculations, he gives us the old story of how Dr. Lardner, in 1838, entertained an audience in this city with a scientific demonstration of the impossibility of crossing the Atlantic with a steamship, and how his audience left the hall just in time to hear the newsboys cry an extra announcing the safe arrival of the "Sirius" and the "Great Western." The story is a very interesting one and has done good service; but it is open to the objection of being untrue in every particular. Dr. Lardner never either demonstrated or asserted that ocean steam navigation was

impracticable, and nothing of which we have any record in the history of early steam navigation, in any respect contradicted what he did say.

Dr. Lardner's lectures and writings on the subject of steam navigation, which are cited by these people so frequently, were of the nature of calm, logical discussions of the practical aspects of steam navigation. His inquiry was devoted to the question of whether it was possible to make long steam voyages commercially profitable, and not whether such voyages were possible. Had it been otherwise he would have been a much greater fool than he is commonly supposed to have been, for the reason that long steam voyages had been made and he knew all about them. He knew perfectly well that at the time of his writing a profitable steam service was maintained between London and Bombay. It was, moreover, upon the results attained in the steam service between England and the further Mediterranean ports, in which the best steamers then built were employed, that he based his calculations of the relation of cost to profit in transatlantic steam voyages. To show that he was regarding the venture from a strictly commercial standpoint, we quote the following from the much ridiculed lecture: "To form an approximate estimate of the present powers of steam navigation, it will be necessary to consider the mutual relation of the tonnage, weight and power of machinery, available stowage for fuel, average speed in all weathers, as well as general purposes to which the vessel is to be appropriated—whether for the transport of goods and merchandise, or merely of dispatches and passengers." To further show that he knew what he was talking about, we quote as follows: "In testing the practicability of the project here contemplated, it is clear that the worst average must be assumed." The average included weather, wind, speed, and all the conditions which tended to lengthen the voyage. We quote further: "The Mediterranean steamers are capable of taking a quantity of fuel at the rate of 1½ tons per horse-power, but the proportion of power to their tonnage is greater than that which would probably be adopted for longer runs. We shall, therefore, perhaps be warranted in assuming that it is practicable to construct a steamer capable of taking 1½ tons of fuel per horse-power. At the rate of consumption just mentioned, this would be sufficient to carry her 3000 miles in average weather; but, as an allowance of fuel must always be made for emergencies, we cannot suppose it possible for her to encounter this extreme run. Allowing, then, spare fuel to the extent of one quarter of a ton per horse-power, we should have as an extreme limit of a practicable voyage, without necessary relay of coals, 2500 miles." This he considered the lowest of a profitable direct voyage. To show how careful and accurate his estimates and opinions really were, we have only to quote further from his remarks on the greatest economy which had been attained: "We may, perhaps, be justified in assuming that, when this good stoking and all other practicable means of economizing the coal shall have been practised, the actual consumption will be reduced to eight pounds per horse-power per hour." Further along we find: "In some cases, * * * taking the engine as working for 22 hours per day, on an average, * * * the daily consumption may be reduced to 176 lbs. of coal per horse-power." This was, practically, as good a result as the average commercial steamer of that day could be expected to give. Of enormous these figures are may be seen when we state the fact that, at this rate of consumption, it would take 176 tons per day to supply one of our largest steamers for twenty-four hours, or over 1700 tons for the voyage across the Atlantic. The actual consumption is often at or below 50 tons per 24 hours. Speaking of those who at that time were planning to make the "unbroken voyage" from London to New York, he says: "Seeing, then, that the geographical position of the points proposed to be connected with the atmospheric phenomenon place such a voyage beyond the present limits of steam navigation, prudence suggests, at least, until these powers acquire some extension, that we should consider whether and by what means the contemplated route may be resolved into voyages of more practical length."

Here, again, he refers only to the commercial practicability of such voyages, and not to the question of whether it is possible to make them or not. If there is any doubt on this point the following passage should set it at rest: "But with so great a prize in view * * * can it be doubted that * * * British genius will not soon extend the limits that slight degree beyond their present limit which will be sufficient to render the proposed voyage, under all circumstances of the case, practicable and profitable?" He then went on to explain the conditions of the voyage if landings were made on the Irish coast, and on the American coast as far East as practicable, and points out the fact that by this means the voyage could be made in such steamers as were then built. Now let us see how the facts in the case bore out the Doctor's statements. The *Sirius*, Great Western, and other steamers which were put on to run direct, were soon withdrawn. The voyage was not only unprofitable, but absolutely ruinous. The wreck of the *Great Western* doubtless did much to cripple the company which built her, but there was emphatically no money in running steamers to America, and it was not until a coal station was established on the Eastern coast of Halifax, the consumption of fuel greatly reduced, and the speed of ocean steamers increased one-half, that steam communication between England and America became practicable or profitable. If we remember rightly, it is only about fifteen years since Halifax was abandoned as a coal station, and the run made from side to side without coaling on the way. This was accomplished by the more economical engines which brought the consumption of coal down from 176 tons to 50 tons, and increased the speed from 7½ miles per hour to 15 or 16. In other words the very extension of the limits of economy that the Doctor asked for are those which have made the long voyage "practicable." Had the early companies listened to his suggestions, it is possible that the voyage might have been made a paying one, but instead of doing so the ships were burdened with an enormous amount of coal, sufficient for the whole voyage. Freight was of course out of the question, and passengers and mails were only to be relied upon as sources of revenue. Their speed was not great enough to compete with fast packets, and the vessel was not economical enough to carry passengers at packet prices, hence the number of failures in this traffic. Our own "Collins Line" failed on account of the enormous quantity of coal carried, and the great weight of the old fashioned engines used, together with the fact that the ships were driven at comparatively high speeds. In other words, they literally fulfilled Dr. Lardner's predictions made years before. Transatlantic steam service was not practicable until the boats were made more economical of coal and power. Not one of the old Collins line has her engines in her now, though they were most of them running as sailing vessels until quite recently.

We think these quotations of Dr. Lardner's own words are a sufficient vindication of his reputation as a clear headed and eminently practical man of science. But he deserves a little more than this. Though wholly ignorant of the fact deduced by Scott Russell from more recent experiences, that to be economical a ship's burden must equal one ton per mile of the voyage she is to make, Dr. Lardner recommended the employment of vessels from ten hundred to twelve hundred tons burden, which was much larger than steam vessels were commonly built at that time. His reasons for making this recommendation are evidently to be found in a recognition of the necessity for giving steamers as large a capacity as possible, in proportion to the horsepower of their engines and the weight of and space occupied by their machinery, coal, etc. Furthermore, he saw and proclaimed the advantages of iron over wood, and in one of his lectures, after summing up the advantages of iron hulls he says: "For sea voyages they offer many advantages." We thus see that Dr. Lardner, instead of making a fool of himself and of science, was conspicuously exact in his estimates and predictions. The moral of all this is easily drawn, and we commend it to thoughtful consideration of the newspaper writers, popular lecturers and others, who have made Dr. Lardner's memory a by-word and a jest. It is: Before you quote a man's words to laugh at them, and especially before you use them as showing that scientific estimates are of little value as compared with practical results, it is well to find out what he said, and how far his statements agreed with the facts of the case.

Comparative Safety of Travel on English and American Railroads.

We have lately had occasion to draw some comparisons between British and American railroad practise not altogether favorable to the former. The impression remains in the public mind, however, that travel on British railroads is attended with less danger than upon American lines; and this assumption is made good use of in answer to a criticism of the English railway system from an American standpoint. Let us see, so far as available statistics will

permit, to what extent this assumption is warranted by facts. In the United Kingdom, during the past year, 2425 persons were killed and 5050 injured; a total of 7475. Taking the best available records of accidents for the United States we find that there were 204 persons killed and 975 wounded for the year ending with August, 1875. These are only the accidents that are of a nature sufficiently serious to be reported. In the number killed, however, they are practically correct. In some of the States the returns are kept with a considerable degree of accuracy, and some of these are available at the present moment. In the State of Pennsylvania the number of passengers carried was 42,297,158, the number killed in this time was 16, and 93 were injured, or one person killed among 2,643,572 passengers. In England the rate was 1 in 360,000 and a fraction, or almost 12 times as many as in the State of Pennsylvania. In Scotland 38,000,000 passengers were carried and 211 persons were killed, or 4,000,000 less persons carried than in Pennsylvania and 195 more persons killed. On the Pennsylvania Railroad 6,088,103 passengers were carried and one person killed. This passenger was found dead on the track, and it is probable that he fell from the platform of a car, where he was standing contrary to the rules of the company. In this 6,000,000 of passengers only 18 were injured. At this rate there would have been but 70 passengers killed in England during the year, instead of 1175, and instead of 4468 persons injured there would have been only 1260, or a trifle over one-fourth as many.

Another railway company, not particularly noted for safety, carried 4,000,000 passengers during the year, and killed only one. The Philadelphia and Reading Road carried 6,900,000 passengers, and killed two. On investigation it was found that the passengers killed and injured were violating the rules of the company, and so by their own acts were responsible. On some ten different roads no passengers were killed during the year, although the number carried on them was very large. In the United Kingdom there were some 1275 accidents reported during the year, among which we find no less than 229 from broken axles. From averages which we have made we think this about five times as many as were reported in this country. There were 68 failures of wheels and tires, which we think very much larger than here. With these facts and figures in mind, it is evident that the admitted superiority of British permanent way does not secure as great an immunity from accidents to trains as that resulting from better rolling stock and better management in this country. Were American trains no better provided with brakes, in proportion to their weight, than the English trains, travel by rail would become so hazardous that few would venture it who could travel by any other method, and the immense traffic on our trunk lines would be subject to serious and constantly recurring interruptions. We have much to learn from English engineers, perhaps, but not a great deal about railroads or their management.

The course of the lead market in this country, as compared with that of Europe, has been a great disappointment since last spring. There was not, we think, much expectation of a great activity in the building trades; few were prepared for the extreme dullness which has prevailed during the past half year. This has no doubt resulted in great degree from the downward tendency of the real estate market and the unsettled price of rents and the general effects of the late panic, which are most seriously felt in communities which, in times of greater prosperity, are most enterprising and progressive. The effect of this very general suspension of building operations has been to steadily diminish the demand for lead pipe and sheet lead, so much so that the spring trade in these classes of goods amounted, practically, to very little. In a great measure, the sale of white lead has suffered from the same causes. This condition of affairs has continued pretty much throughout the summer, and it was hoped the beginning of the fall trade would witness a brisk recovery in the lead market. Up to the present time, however, these expectations have not been realized, so far as the trade of this market is concerned, but there is still some prospect of greater activity as the season advances.

The Influence of Stagnation in the Building Trades on the Lead Market.

But while this is true of New York and the other principal markets of the Atlantic coast, it is a noteworthy fact that the distributive trade of St. Louis is steadily increasing and gaining in importance. The development of the great lead producing districts of Missouri, Colorado and Utah, has resulted in a very important diversion of trade. Large quantities of lead which capital formerly drew to New York and

other seaboard markets, to be distributed throughout the country, including a good part of the West, are now shipped direct to the principal markets of the interior. And with the accumulation of capital and the extension of railroads in the West, St. Louis and other Western cities have derived New York and the East of the control of a large share of the lead trade of the country. Another theme not to be overlooked is the growing importance of the soft lead of Missouri for the manufacture of white lead. Under normal conditions, the United States consume about 45,000 tons of white lead annually. The distribution of the greater part of this amount is shared by the various commercial cities of the country about as follows:

	Tons.
New York.....	13,000
St. Louis.....	9,000
Pittsburgh.....	6,000
Philadelphia.....	6,000
Cincinnati.....	2,000
Louisville.....	1,000
Boston.....	1,000
Baltimore.....	1,500
Buffalo.....	800
Cleveland.....	800
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The remainder of that manufactured and consumed in this country is made in small establishments in places of too little note in connection with this industry to be separately mentioned. From domestic sources we can supply to the manufacturers about 20,000 tons of soft lead. Should the requirements of the trade exceed this amount we shall probably have to import enough to meet the balances of our consumptive requirements. This, however, is not likely to be necessary. The consumption of white lead has so fallen off that the Missouri product of soft lead will probably be sufficient this year. A larger requirement may confidently be expected in the spring, and in the meantime we may hope for a decline in the foreign markets or an increase in the Missouri production.

The course of the lead market in Europe has been mainly influenced by the enormous war demand. With no immediate prospect of war, all Europe is arming on a scale of vast preparation. There is also a good consumptive demand for lead to be employed in the arts, and as the result the price of lead is higher now than it has been at any time since the outbreak of the civil war in Spain. We may safely conclude, therefore, that rapid as has been the increase of American lead production, it is by no means excessive, and that we shall probably find use for all we can make as soon as we shall have recovered our normal commercial and industrial activity. From present appearances we conclude that next spring will witness a marked improvement in the lead markets.

The Advance in Tin.

Notwithstanding the heavy shipments of tin from the Straits and Australia, amounting to 13,320 tons for the first eight months of the current year, as compared with 8721 tons for the same period of last year; making the total import at London 14,890 tons, against 11,568 last year, the European markets have been steadily improving, under the influence of large deliveries, which, of foreign tin at London alone, amounted to 11,908 tons, against 8769 tons last year. An examination of the statistics of stock and amounts afloat will assist in explaining the situation, and in forming an opinion with regard to the immediate future:

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in Europe. 2d. The belief that tin has been depressed below its intrinsic value by speculative manipulations. 3d. The remarkably large amount delivered for consumption. 4th. The belief that the Australian production this year will not exceed that of last. From all that can be learned of the statistical position of the metal, however, it appears that the future of prices depends more upon a continuance of the large consumptive demand than upon any impulse which may be given to shipments. Whether these elements would remain favorable to holders in the event of a further rise, may be considered doubtful, and we would do well to be prepared for a notable recoil in prices should there be any unfavorable change in the general condition of the trade. In our own market some large speculative purchases have been lately made, and the market is now about 1 cent, gold, per pound higher than a week ago, sustained by the fact that the available and expected supplies are moderate.

We have just received information from a trustworthy source that the Pacific Mail steamship City of Tokio, on her last trip from Yokohama to San Francisco (4650 miles), accomplished the distance in 17 days 12 hours. A copy of her log, forwarded to New York, shows that the steamer at no time used more than half of her boilers. She is fitted with ten, and used only five. The average time made was 11 knots per hour. The weight of cargo brought was 4000 tons, and the consumption of coal was one ton to 100 tons of cargo carried. The City of Tokio on the water line is 395 feet long by 48 wide, she is 38 feet deep from the spar deck, and she "loads," on the average, 50 tons to the inch. This steamer has been almost as much abused before the public as the City of Peking. One of her principal officers, in a private letter, says she is as good as when she left New York. If there be any foreign steamship whose record is as economical as that of the City of Tokio, as above given, we should be happy to have the fact communicated to us.

Commencement day orations are usually very dry stuff, but one of the graduates of Bowdoin the other day made an uncommonly happy hit by entering "a plea for a shortened yardstick," in which he set forth the innumerable advantages which would result from an act of Congress declaring that the legal yardstick should henceforth be 30 inches long, instead of 36. It was "conclusively shown" that by this policy of shortening the yardstick, Congress would at once add immensely to the productions and wealth of the country, would start the wheels of business, provide labor for the unemployed, give cheap cloth to the poor, and in general promote virtue and godliness. Those who are advocating the unlimited expansion of the currency as a means of bettering the condition of the productive and distributive industries, would do well to adopt the idea of the shortened yardstick. The arguments employed to set forth the advantages and benefits of an irredeemable currency depreciated by unlimited dilution, cover the case of the shortened yardstick perfectly.

The little "vacation" of the mill operatives at Fall River, Mass., which began with so much eclat early in August, is ending just as any man with a grain of common sense must have foreseen. Unfortunately for the strikers, the question between them and the mill owners has assumed the aspect of a direct issue between the trade unions and employers, the result of which will determine whether manufacturing shall be controlled by labor or capital. There can be no question as to the result of the contest. Resolutions to starve before going to work under an agreement which protects the manufacturers from the unwarrantable interference of irresponsible committees, are all very well, but the majority who are willing to return to work will not long be deterred from doing so by a turbulent minority, led by self-seeking and dishonest demagogues. The unions will be broken up, and after great and unnecessary sacrifices the operatives will resume work without having gained a single important advantage.

We publish in another column an interesting letter from a correspondent writing from Ironton, Ohio, describing the practical results thus far attending the operation of the new Ferrie Self Coking Stacks and Whitwell Hot Blast Ovens of the Etna Ironworks, and new stack of the Ironton Iron and Steel Company. The letter will be found to contain much specific information, and will be read with pleasure by all who have felt any interest in the success of the experiments which promise so much for the future of the iron trade of the West.

The Use of Caustic Lime in Blast Furnaces.

The following is a paper read by Mr. Isaac Lowthian Bell before the Iron and Steel Institute, at Manchester, on the 8th instant:

In a furnace about 48 feet in height, the carbonic oxide generated by the combustion of the coke at the tuyeres, arrives at the throat so speedily that it, with the accompanying gases, leaves the orifice of the structure at a comparatively high temperature. The solid contents filling the furnace, as a consequence, are within a few feet of the charging plates, in a state of bright incandescence.

When limestone, in its natural state, is used as a flux, it quickly reaches, in such a furnace, a zone where the heat is sufficient to separate the carbonic acid from its calcareous base. The temperature of this region, indeed, is so intense, that not only the carbonic acid associated with the lime, but a portion of that due to the deoxidation and carbon impregnation of the ore, is reduced to the form of carbonic oxide.

I have shown, on a former occasion,* that the smelting of a ton of iron is properly accompanied by the conversion of 6.58 cwt. of carbon from the state of carbonic oxide to that of carbonic acid. The carbon in its acidified form in the quantity of limestone consumed, upon one occasion, in a 48 feet furnace, was 1.92 cwt. Hence, we may infer that, were there no reduction of carbonic acid to a lower condition of oxidation, we ought to find, for each ton of iron produced, 8.50 cwt. of carbon, combined with its maximum dose of oxygen.

Instead of this quantity only 5.47 cwt. of carbon so oxidized was found in the escaping gases of one of the smaller furnaces referred to, per ton of iron of its make.

This change in the composition of the escaping gases of a blast furnace involves more serious consequences than what, perhaps, at first sight might appear.

There is the heat absorbed by splitting up carbonic acid containing (8.50-5.47) 3.03 cwt. of carbon. The decomposition of this carbonic acid carries off the same weight of carbon which it contains and which escapes combustion of the tuyeres, involving a further loss of.....

To which has to be added the heat required for expelling the carbonic acid from 16 cwt. of limestone.....

The coke consumed upon the occasion which furnished these data amounted to 28.92 cwt. per ton of iron, and the heat estimated to be afforded by its combustion, using air heated to 453° C (846° F.), was 104,012 units. The proportion, therefore, of the total heat generated, which was absorbed by the expulsion of carbonic acid from the limestone, and the decomposition of this compound of oxygen and carbon amounted to 22 per cent. Of this, 16 per cent. is due to the use of limestone, and 6 to the dissociation of the carbonic acid, produced by the reduction and carbon impregnation of the ore.

An expenditure of 16 per cent. of the heating power of the fuel, which is rendered necessary by the presence of one of the constituent parts of our flux, affords *prima facie* a strong reason why we should seek to relieve the furnace of a duty represented by about 4½ cwt. of coke, particularly as half this weight of inexpensive small coal sufficed for the purpose of the lime kiln.

I am not aware that the experience of any iron smelter justifies the belief that any approach to this economy was ever realized by the substitution of lime for limestone. On referring to the Clarence furnace books, I find, when using the same quality of coke in each case, one of the smaller furnaces (48 feet) gave the following results:

14 days' make.	Av. No. Tons.	Coke per ton.	Mine yielded.	Cwts.
419	3.34	29.06	41.9 prct. lim'st'ne pr ton.	14.53
444	2.30	29.04	42.6 " " " " "	11.14

Other examples from furnaces of similar dimensions gave the following averages:

14 days' make.	Av. No. Tons.	Coke per ton.	Yield per mine.	Cwts.
404	2.05	29.31	42.0 prct. lim'st'ne pr ton.	13.89
451	2.10	27.99	42.6 " " " " "	11.46

In the first two cases given, the consumption of fuel is practically the same, but the produce of the ironstone (Clarence), when smelted with calcined limestone, is somewhat better. Discarding this cause of difference, the sole advantage from the use of lime is the increased make and superior quality of the iron. In the next two examples an improvement in production and grade of metal is also observable, along with an economy of 1.33 cwt. of coke, part of which is probably due to the better yield from the ironstone (Clarence), as well as to a somewhat superior quality of coke received at the works, when calcined limestone was being used. In none of these instances, judging by the relative quantities of burnt and raw limestone employed, has one-half of its carbonic acid been expelled.

The apparent want of reconciliation between theory and practice in the consumption of fuel, when using the flux raw or calcined, is, in my judgment, in a great measure independent of the imperfect expulsion of carbonic acid from the latter; and further, I am of opinion that a complete separation of this element would fail to effect, in a larger furnace, any appreciable good in respect to the coke required for the process.

Omitting the somewhat questionable economy of fuel exhibited by the figures given above, it is not surprising that a furnace 48 feet high, and containing 6000 cubic feet, should, with a make of 300 to 210 tons per week, be capable of doing some additional duty when relieved of that portion of its work represented by calcining the limestone. In like manner, where a furnace 80 feet high, and containing 15,000 cubic feet,

only runs 350 tons a week, and is, therefore, compared with the former, far above its work, any such relief as that in question may be regarded as unnecessary.

The objects of this communication are to show that this supposition is substantially correct, and to endeavor to reconcile the apparent difference between theory and practice just referred to.

For the purpose in question, two of the Clarence furnaces, Nos. 9 and 10, having a height of 80 feet and a capacity of 20,500 cubic feet, were chosen. They were blown in about twelve months ago, and were working under precisely the same conditions. No. 9 was supplied with raw, and the other with calcined limestone, and after a few weeks this order was reversed—No. 10 was put on raw and No. 9 on calcined.

The consumption of limestone per ton of iron was almost exactly 11 cwt., which, allowing five per cent. of foreign matter, would represent 5.85 cwt. of pure lime, or 6.16 cwt., including impurity, had all the carbonic acid been expelled. By the time, however, that the calcined flux was reduced to 8 cwt., the appearance of the cinder indicated a similarity of composition. This was equivalent, if correct, to an admission that the lime still retained about one-half of its carbonic acid, the truth of which was proved by an analysis of the cinder itself.

Composition of cinder, using:	Raw Limestone.	Calcined Limestone.
Silica.....	30.84	30.64
Alumina.....	25.71	25.45
Lime.....	30.85	31.17
Magnesia.....	6.92	7.22
Protoxide of Iron.....	23	26
Protoxide of Manganese.....	26	28
Potash.....	28	30
Soda.....	1.02	1.20
Phosphoric Acid.....	.34	.44
Sulphide of Calcium.....	4.09	4.52
	100.54	101.28

Parenthetically it may be observed that no change was effected in removing silicon or sulphur by the substitution of calcined or raw limestone, a sample of No. 3 iron from each giving the following results:

	Using Raw Limestone.	Using Calcined.
Silicon, per cent.....	1.91	1.91
Sulphur.....	.033	.033

With regard to the main object of the experiment, viz., the consumption of fuel, there was literally not the slightest advantage in the use of the flux from which half of its carbonic acid had been expelled. In each case, the burden of mine (Clarence), on a given weight of coke, remained unaltered, without any improvement in quality manifesting itself, nor was there any tendency to an increased rate of driving. The make was in each case 61 to 62½ tons per 24 hours, the quality averaged about 3.75, and the coke a trifle under 22 cwt. per ton of iron.

Applying the same mode of computation employed at the commencement of this paper, the separation and decomposition of half the carbonic in 11 cwt. of limestone, is equal to about 5550 units per ton of iron, the necessity for which was avoided by the previous calcination of the flux. To this must be added 1950 units, as the heat which will be evolved by the lime re-uniting with carbonic acid in the furnace, which, for the present, we will assume to happen. We have thus 7500 units of heat at our disposal, which at the usual condition of oxidation of the gases in an 80 feet furnace using limestone and driven with air at 485° C (905° F.), represents about 1.79, say 1½ cwt. of coke.

I propose to endeavor to explain the cause of the disappearance of these 7500 units, and the consequent non-effect of their representative 1½ cwt. of fuel.

In round numbers, calcined Cleveland stone, in an atmosphere of carbonic oxide, may be considered as commencing to lose its oxygen gas, or in other words, to suffer reduction when it is heated to a temperature of 200° to 210° C., say 400° F.

Metallic iron and carbonic acid, with some precipitated carbon, are the products of this action; but if the temperature is raised from 400° to about 800° F., then the carbonic acid, formed by the reduction of the ore, commences to re-oxidize the metallic iron formed at the lower temperature, and this proneness to oxidation by carbonic acid increases rapidly as the temperature is raised. Thus, if a mixture of carbonic oxide and carbonic acid in equal volumes is passed over calcined Cleveland ore at a bright red heat, the latter cannot be deprived of more than one-third of its oxygen; and in like manner, if spongy metallic iron be similarly treated, it absorbs from the carbonic acid as much oxygen as remains combined with the metal contained in the ore, i. e., two-thirds of that required to constitute peroxide of iron.

From the physical laws involved in the facts as just enumerated may be inferred:

1st. That there is a point in which carbonic acid will render complete reduction of an oxide of iron by carbonic oxide impossible.

2d. That this point varies with the temperature, i. e., the reducing power of carbonic oxide is lessened by the oxidizing power of carbonic acid rising as the temperature increases.

Now, my inquiries on this very important question connected with the action of the blast furnace have led me to infer that the gases from an 80 feet furnace of say 15,000 cubic feet, and running 350 tons per week, are saturated with oxygen, as far as they can be, when one-third of the carbon they contain is converted into carbonic acid. The temperature of the gases, when cold ironstone is used, will average under the supposed conditions about 300° C. (572° F.).

By the use of the flux, calcined as it was in the experiment we are considering, 7500 units of heat per 20 of iron are practically added to the contents of the furnace, and the presence of this heat at once manifested itself by a rise in the temperature of escaping gases which corresponds to something like 1500 of the 7500 units placed at our disposal.

I would here observe that carbon as well as

iron, either metallic or in its lower stages of oxidation is capable of decomposing carbonic acid, and that its power in this respect is also intensified as the temperature is increased.

If, therefore, where by change in the composition of the materials, an increase of temperature in the reducing zone follows as a necessary consequence, a larger proportion of the carbon as carbonic oxide in the gases may arise from one or two causes—either the oxidizing influence of the carbonic acid may be augmented by the change of temperature, and so require the pressure of a larger quantity of carbonic oxide to effect reduction, or the higher temperature may enable the carbon to split up more readily the carbonic acid. Whichever of these two causes is the correct one, the result would be the same, viz., an unburning, as it were, of carbonic acid, which means a large absorption of heat and consequent waste of fuel.

In the case we are considering, this waste of fuel has, of course, been met by the additional heat generated, or not required, as explained by the use of calcined limestone, the loss on the one side being balanced by the gain on the other.

As a matter of fact, this diminution of carbon existing as carbonic acid in the gases is precisely what I found took place in the furnace when calcined limestone in the experiments already described was employed. The analysis of the gases will require repeating, inasmuch as their ascertained composition accounted for rather more loss than the heat which had been added in the manner described.

There is, however, no reason for delaying the communication of these later trials to the Institute. They extended over a period of six weeks at the two furnaces, and the unmistakable conclusion arrived at was, that the expense of calcining the limestone was unaccompanied by any advantage whatever in the operation.

I may add that the presence of caustic lime is supposed, by virtue of the power it possesses of absorbing carbonic acid, to produce the same effect as if this acid were introduced in the form of carbonate of lime. Now, lime in some form or other, exists in calcined Cleveland ironstone to the extent of from 7 to 8 per cent., and magnesia of from 4 to 5. I was, therefore, anxious to ascertain whether these earths were able, in any high degree, to absorb carbonic acid in the cooler portions of the furnace, and in consequence, to carry it down where, by its reaction on carbon, a loss of coke would ensue. I would remark that lime and magnesia possibly exist in the native Cleveland ironstone, chiefly combined with silica or alumina, or both; certain it is that the carbonic acid in the raw stone is only about sufficient to form a carbonate with the protoxide of iron present.

Whatever may be the form in which lime exists in the ironstone in its natural state, when calcined, a mere trace—under 0.2 per cent.—was washed out of the calcined ore by chloride of ammonium, and of this a portion was probably soda or potash. The ironstone (calcined), the size of mustard seed, was exposed for 25 hours, at ordinary temperatures, to carbonic acid. The original ore contained .85 per cent. of this acid, and at the termination of the experiment it contained 1.22 per cent. A second sample was similarly treated, in a tube immersed in a bath of melted zinc, having a temperature of probably 800° to 900° F. The carbonic acid it contained at the end of 2½ hours was .77 per cent., after which no change of weight took place.

These experiments prove that the presence of lime and magnesia, as they are found in calcined Cleveland ironstone, are inert, so far as any absorption of carbonic acid is concerned.

Physically it would be possible, by a previous fusion of the ironstone with the flux, to render the lime of the latter incapable of absorbing carbonic acid to any extent, which acid would be expelled by such preliminary treatment. There are, however, practical objections to such a course of procedure. Firstly, in a properly constructed blast furnace, say 80 feet high, with a capacity of 15,000 to 20,000 cubic feet, we have seen the total expenditure of coke, entailed by the presence of the carbonic acid of the limestone, is only 1½ cwt. There is, therefore, no margin to meet any expense which would accompany the operation referred to. Beside this, the altered mechanical condition of the ironstone makes it much less susceptible to the reducing influences of the gases of the blast furnace.

I obtained the following results from specimens of Cleveland ironstone calcined to various degrees of hardness but broken from the same lump. They were exposed simultaneously in the same piece of apparatus during eight hours to a current of carbonic oxide, at a temperature of nearly 800° F.:

Specimens of ironstone.	Loss of original oxygen per cent.	Deposited carbon per 100 of iron.
Burnt to brick red.....	56.1	5.9
Burnt to brown, not fused.....	65.2	21.5
Burnt to dark purple, very slightly fused.....	52.6	6.8
Partially fused.....	39.4	1.5
Fused.....	23.9	3.1

Mill cinder which, in mechanical structure, would closely resemble ironstone fused with limestone, only lost 1.35 per cent. of its oxygen during 3½ hours' exposure to a red heat. It contained no deposited carbon.

A specimen of properly calcined Cleveland ironstone, and a specimen of mill cinder were placed together during 48 hours in the escaping gases of a 48 feet furnace. The former lost 52.3 per cent. of its oxygen and contained 2.42 of deposited carbon per 100 of iron; the latter only lost about 16 per cent. of its oxygen and had .25 of deposited carbon per 100 of iron.

These trials prove conclusively that it is best to use ironstone burnt so as to admit ready access to the reducing gases, and that if this be not attended to, the mine will arrive at a point in the furnace where the carbonic acid resulting from deoxidation will be split up or

unburnt by contact with highly heated carbon, in the same way as happens when this acid is supplied by the limestone.

Hanging Rock Furnaces.

Mr. Charles Campbell has prepared a list of the furnaces in the Hanging Rock iron region, both in and out of blast, with the date of erection, owner or owners, builders, names, daily capacity, character of blast, &c., from which we glean the following items:

The first furnace built in Ohio was either "Brush Creek Furnace," built in Adams county in 1810-11, by Ellison, James and Colonel Paul, or the "Yellow Creek Furnace," of Trumbull county, erected about the same time by Mackay, Montgomery & Glendenin.

The oldest one in the Hanging Rock region proper is Argillite and Forge, in Greenup county, Ky., built in 1822 by Richard Deering and Trimble Bro. It was 25 feet high, 6 feet bosh, cold blast, and made the magnificent yield of one ton daily.

Pactolus, in the same county, was built in 1824, by Messrs. McMurtrey & Ward.

Steam Furnace, same locality, followed in 1825, and was built by Shreeves Bros. It also made one ton daily.

Bellefonte Furnace, same county, was also built in 1825 by Messrs. A. Paul, Geo. Progne and others. It is now operated by Messrs. Means, Russell & Means, 33 feet high, 10½ feet bosh, and with a capacity of 14 tons daily.

Union, in this county, was the first on this side of the river. It was built in 1826 by Messrs. James Rodgers & Co., but we have not further information as to capacity, &c.

Then comes the Sciota Furnace, in Sciota county, built in 1828 by Wm. Satters and others, now a hot blast furnace of 12 tons capacity, operated by L. C. Robinson & Co., of Portsmouth.

Next was Pine Grove Furnace, erected in 1829 by Robert Hamilton & A. Ellison, now operated by Means, Kyle & Co., of Hanging Rock, and making 16 tons daily.

Bloom was built in 1832 by John Benner and others; Etna in 1832, by James Rodgers and others; Junior in 1832, by Young Bros. and others; Buckhorn in 1833, by James & Findley; Centre, in 1842, by Wm. Carpenter and others; Howred, in 1830, by John Campbell & D. T. Woodrow; Hecla, in 1833, by R. B. Hamilton & McCoy; Lagrange, long since abandoned, in 1836, by Hurd, Gould & Co.; Mount Vernon, in 1838, by R. Hamilton, John Campbell & W. Ellison; Olive, in 1846, by John Campbell & John Peter; Oak Ridge, in 1846, by Prof. W. W. Mather & Gen. O. M. Mitchell; Ohio, in 1845, by David Sinton & T. W. Means; Vesuvius, in 1833, by Hurd, Gould and others; Washington, in 1853, by John Campbell, John Peters and others.

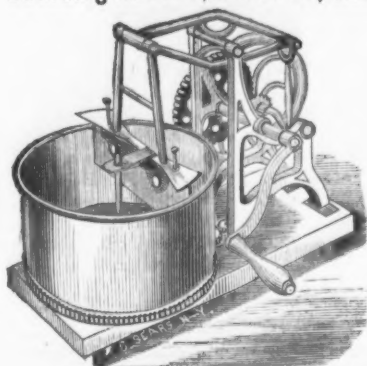
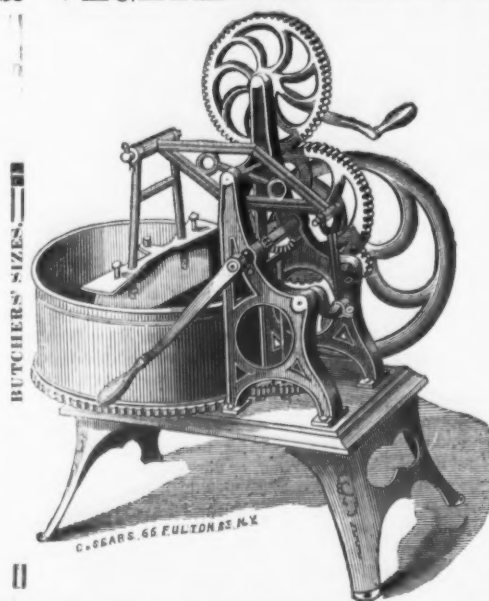
There are 86 furnaces in the list, of which two are projected, three have not yet gone into blast and twenty-two are abandoned. Three are classed as cold blast and four as either hot or cold blast. Nineteen are for bituminous coal, the balance for charcoal. The two new stacks of the Etna Iron Works are credited with a capacity of 60 tons daily; the Norton and Belfont stacks with 45 each; the Ashland, and Iron and Steel Company, each with 40; and no other is down for a greater yield than 20 tons daily.

Farm Railways.—A wealthy English land owner has recently applied the principle of the narrow gauge railway to the purpose of agriculture, and found that the saving of time and labor, the economy in horse flesh and the comparatively narrow strip of land needed for the road bed, have amply compensated him for the first outlay. The gauge is only two feet eight inches, the boiler barrel two feet eight inches in diameter, and the total weight of the engine, when empty, six tons. A speed of twenty-five miles an hour has been attained, but the full power is practically never used. We have not yet learned the expense; it cannot, however, be great, and it is evident that if such machinery can be employed to advantage in England, where the land is not unfrequently hilly, and the wages invariably low, it must be admirably adapted to our level prairie lands, where labor is often almost unobtainable at rates which will justify employment. A French speculator has already organized a joint stock farming company in Kansas, another is in process of formation in Illinois, and the object of both is to cultivate an immense extent of land at the smallest possible cost. The introduction of the locomotive to the farm generally is merely a question of time. When land begins to be held by large corporations of joint stock companies motion by steam must be substituted for traction by horses. The inventor who first adapts the steam engine to the general demands of agriculture will reap an immense harvest of gain and confer a great benefit upon the country. The engines recently manufactured in England for the East Indies are far from perfect. The American dummy is capable of vast improvement. The hour is approaching, and all that is wanting is the genius of the practical mechanic as specially applied to the farm as heretofore it has been to the factory and the mill.

Mr. T. Terrel, of Cardiff, Wales, has invented an improved process of making tin plates, which consists in covering the iron plates immediately after they have been properly pickled with a thin deposit of any metal which will flux with tin by the electrolytic process, to prevent the immediate formation of oxide on the plates and the peculiarity of the process consists in the combination of the electrolytic with the ordinary dipping process. The plates are then plunged into molten tin, and drawn out through rollers, and thus formed into tin-plates, ready for packing, without further process. To prevent the oxidation of the molten tin he places in the pan containing it a quantity of palm oil only sufficient to produce a film on the surface of the tin.

* "Chemical Phenomena of Iron Smelting."

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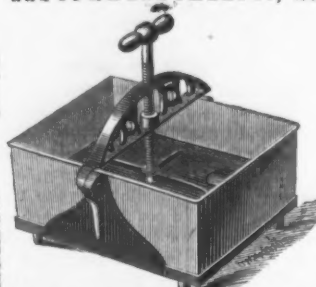
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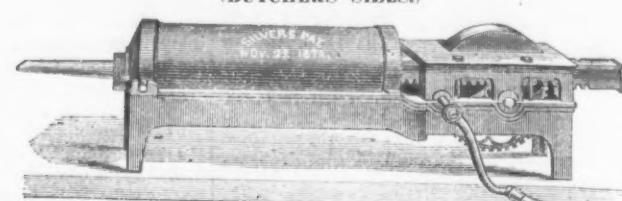
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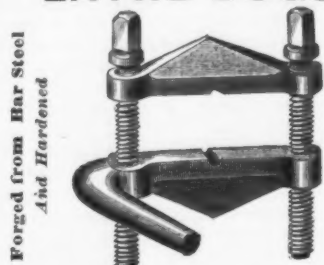
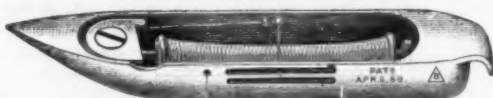
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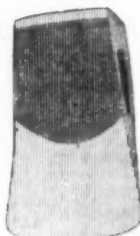
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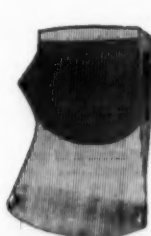
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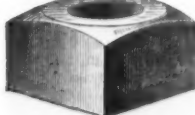


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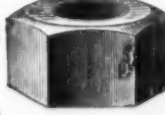
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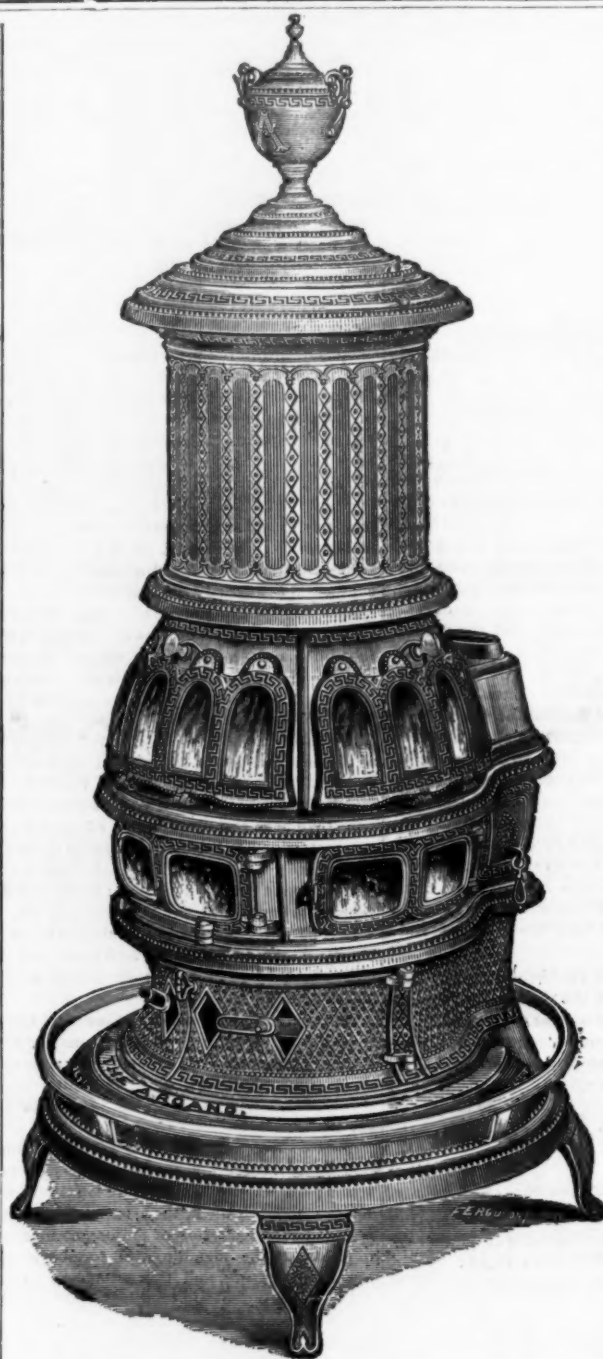
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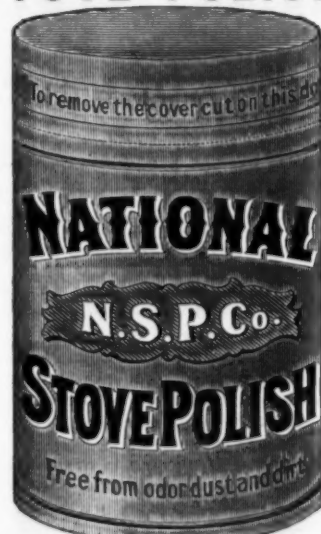
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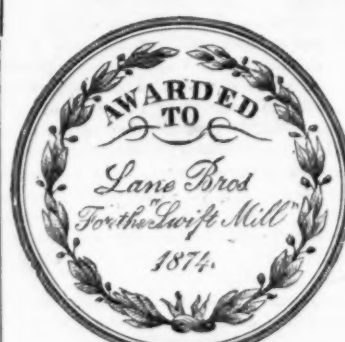
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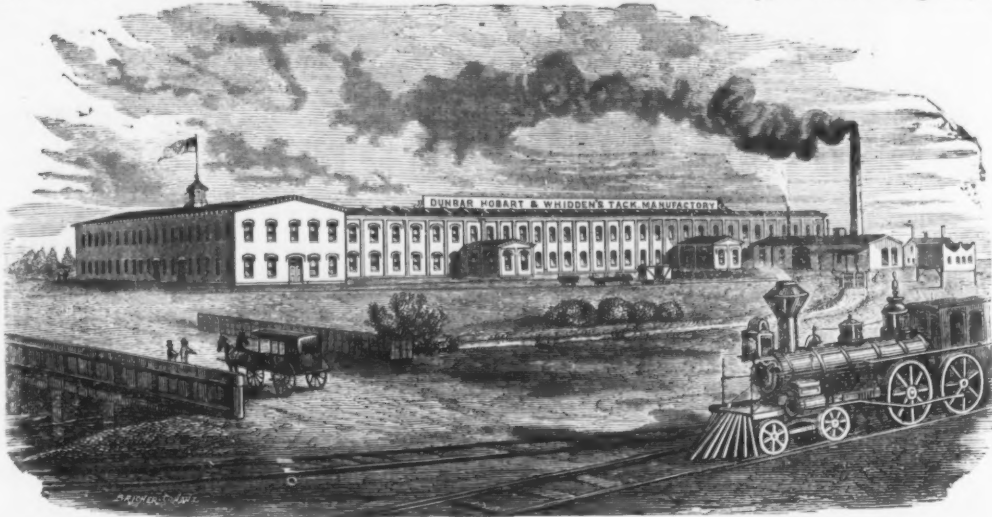
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There has lately come into very general use at Pittsburgh and other iron making centers of the West, an improvement in mills for rolling flat metal bars, which has been attended with very economical and satisfactory results in its practical workings. The improvement has for its main object the lessening the numbers and changes of the rolls required for rolling flat bars of varying sizes, and consists in turning each of the rolls in a set either of two or three high with flat grooves of varying depths, and in such manner that the collars between the flat grooves of one roll run in the flat grooves of the contiguous roll, and divide them into two grooves of equal or unequal width, thus doubling the number of working grooves or channels in a set of rolls, and dispensing with the usual collar holes in the top roll of a pair or middle roll of a set of three. The rolls are also made adjustable endways by means of screws applied to the bearings of same, so that the grooves may be varied in width to any extent within the extremes of any pair or set by simply turning the rolls endways in opposite directions, so that the left hand divisions of the grooves become wider, and the right hand narrower, or *vice versa*, thus rendering one pair or set of rolls adaptable for rolling a much greater variety of sizes of flat bars than heretofore. The roll necks, wabblers, and coupling boxes are made longer than usual in the bearing, to allow for this longitudinal adjustment, and the coupling boxes may be kept up to their bearings by means of coiled springs fitting into holes in ends of same instead of by the usual stretchers. The rolls are thus rendered much less liable to breakage than in the usual method of turning rolls, and the collars may be dressed up, as they were, like the other part of the grooves, without rendering them useless from an excess in the width of the bars rolled by such rolls, as the adjustable character of rolls made upon this principle prevents any difficulty from this source.

Another, and in some respects, equally important feature of the improvement, consists in the use of certain new devices in connection with the housing screws of rolls for rolling wide bars or plates of iron, or other metal sheets, so that the rolls can be rapidly and accurately adjusted to run perfectly parallel to each other, or so that the draught may be varied for the purpose of rolling molds for sketch plates, or straightening plates or bars, which tend to leave the rolls crooked. These devices are termed respectively the "fine" adjuster and "coarse" adjuster, and are both used in connection with the ordinary method of actuating the housing screws.

The "fine" adjuster consists of an adjustable coupling to the hand wheel spindle, which is for the purpose divided into two lengths at some convenient point about the middle of its length. The end of one part of the spindle is made to pivot into the end of the other part, or the contiguous ends of the two parts of the spindle are mounted upon bearings in same line of centers, but in such manner as to be capable of working independently, and to have free ends for the attachments of the coupling now to be described. Upon the inner end of one part of the spindle is keyed a worm wheel of any convenient size, and upon the corresponding end of the other part is keyed a face plate or disc, on which are mounted parallel with its face and with each other, but on opposite sides, two short cross spindles running in bearings projecting from said face plate so far as to throw the short spindles opposite to the middle of the width of the worm wheel. One of the short spindles carries a worm or screw which gears with the worm wheel, and the other runs free of the worm wheel; but the two spindles are geared together by means of a pair of small spur wheels, and each spindle is supplied at opposite ends with a hand wheel or cross to turn it. When the housing screws are worked together by the hand wheel or main spindle, this coupling acts as a fast coupling or clutch, but for the adjustment of the rolls one upon the other preliminary to parallel rolling, or for the variation of the inclination of rolls, slightly to suit the exigencies of rolling plates or sheets colder on one side than the other, or for similar purposes, a "fine" or intermediate adjustment of the housing screws may be rapidly given by the roller or the "catcher" by simply giving a turn or two to one or other of the hand wheels or crosses on the short spindles gearing with the worm wheel of the coupling, thus setting either housing screws forward of the other as much as may be necessary.

The "coarse" adjuster is simply a clutch gearing at the back of one of the mitre or bevel wheels on the horizontal hand wheel spindle. The clutch is a face clutch sliding on a fast feather, and is divided into a number of radial teeth gearing into notches in the back of the mitre or bevel wheel, which runs loose on its shaft when unclutched. By these means the roller is quickly and easily enabled to turn one housing screw by itself, and thus give the top roll the necessary inclination for rolling plates thicker on one side than the other, or for molding sketch plates. Of course, either the "fine" adjuster or the "coarse" adjuster may be used apart from the other, or they may be both used in combination in the same setting apparatus, or the "coarse" adjuster may be used to the roughing rolls, and the "fine" adjuster to the finishing rolls of a plate or sheet mill, as may be required or preferred.

In the operation of this mill, the bloom or pile goes through the top pass first, and, if necessary, the top roll may be made to be raised by balance weights, levers and connecting bars as usual. In this case the screws could be set down for the bottom passes. The bars rolled do not require the usual turn upside down. The last end leaving the rolls is the first end in the next pass. Bars may be finished in any

groove, and the thickness regulated by working the rolls nearer or farther apart to the extent of half the depth of the collar. The rolls may be of any usual size, and proportioned to the proposed sizes of the bars to be rolled. The width of the bars may be varied to any dimension between the extremes for which any set of rolls are arranged, by simple resetting their position in relation to each other longitudinally. Mills on this principle are arranged for either two or three rolls high. In 2-high trains the bars may be returned under the rolls, the last end first, which being turned up for the next pass would reverse and prevent the fin as in 3-high rolls. To roll small flats, say from half inch to one and a half inch, the rolls only require to be moved one-quarter inch each way. By these means great saving is effected in the cost of rolls required for rolling any given number of sizes of flat bars of iron or other metal, the wear of the rolls is more easily repaired, and the danger from breakage of the rolls is much less than with the ordinary methods of constructing the rolls.

Utility and Beauty in Hardware.

The following extract from an English work entitled "Principles of Design," will be found to contain suggestions of value to hardware manufacturers in this country:

In hardware we find two classes of work in the market which appear to have little in common, the one class being characterized by a preponderance of excellence, and the other by the dominance of what is coarse and inartistic. The first class of work is that which is produced by what are termed ecclesiastical metal workers; the second consists of what is generally known as Birmingham ware.

It is an error to suppose that these so-called ecclesiastical—or medieval, as they are sometimes called—metal workers produce only ecclesiastical and medieval work. On the contrary, some of these men—and they are now many in number—devote themselves almost exclusively to domestic work, and most of them fabricate articles in all styles of art. If I wanted an artistic set of fire irons, I should go to one of the ecclesiastical warehouses, for there I have seen many sets that my reason commends and my judgment approves; but I never saw a set produced for the general market that I liked; and the most artistic fenders, grates and gas fittings, in almost any style, are to be got at these shops. I do not mean to convey the impression that all things made at these ecclesiastical warehouses are good, and that all things of Birmingham (or Sheffield) manufacture are bad, for I have seen indifferent works in these medieval shops, and I have seen excellent things from Birmingham—especially I might mention as good certain gaseliers produced by two of the smaller Birmingham houses—but, as a rule, the works found in the medieval warehouses are good, and, as a rule, the works in hardware produced by Birmingham and Sheffield are bad, in point of art.

It will appear a mere repetition if I must insist that the materials of which works of hardware are formed be used in the easiest manner in which they can be worked, and that every article be so formed as perfectly to answer the end of its formation. Yet I must do so. Let us look for a common set of fire irons, and we shall find that nine pokers out of ten have a handle terminating in a pointed knob. Now, as the object of this knob is that of enabling us to exercise force wherewith to break large pieces of coal, the folly of terminating this knob with a point is obvious.

A poker is, essentially, an object of utility; it should therefore be useful. It is ridiculous to talk of a poker as an ornament; yet we find it fashionable now to have a bright poker as an ornament, which is obtrusively displayed to the visitor, and a little black poker, which is carefully concealed from view, reserved for use. I cannot imagine what people will do for show and fashion, but to the thinking mind such littleness as that which induces women to keep a poker as an ornament must be distressing; and until persons who desire to be regarded as educated learn to discriminate between an ornament and an article of utility, little progress in art can be made. If a poker is simply a thing to be looked at then it may be as inconvenient as you please, for it has no purpose to fulfill by its creation it cannot be unfitted to its purpose. The same remarks will apply to shovel and tongs. If they are intended as works of utility, then their forms must be carefully considered; but if they are to be mere ornaments I have nothing to say respecting them.

Utility and beauty are not inseparable; but if an article of any kind is intended to answer any particular end, it should be fitted to answer the end proposed by its formation; but after it is created as a work of utility, care must be exercised in order that it be also a work of beauty. With due consideration, almost every work may be rendered both useful and beautiful, and it must ever be the aim of the intelligent ornamentalist to render them so.

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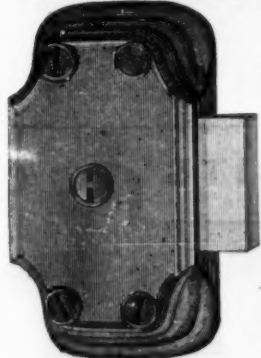
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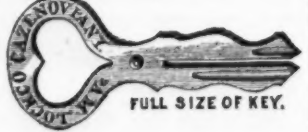
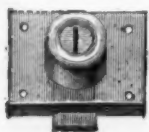
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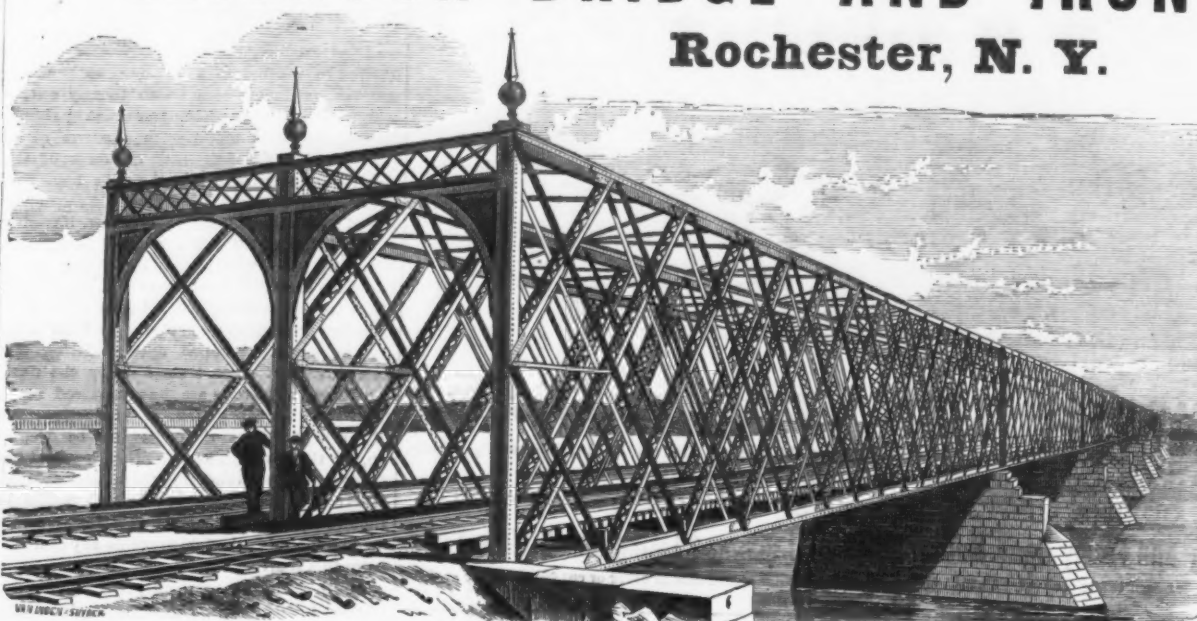
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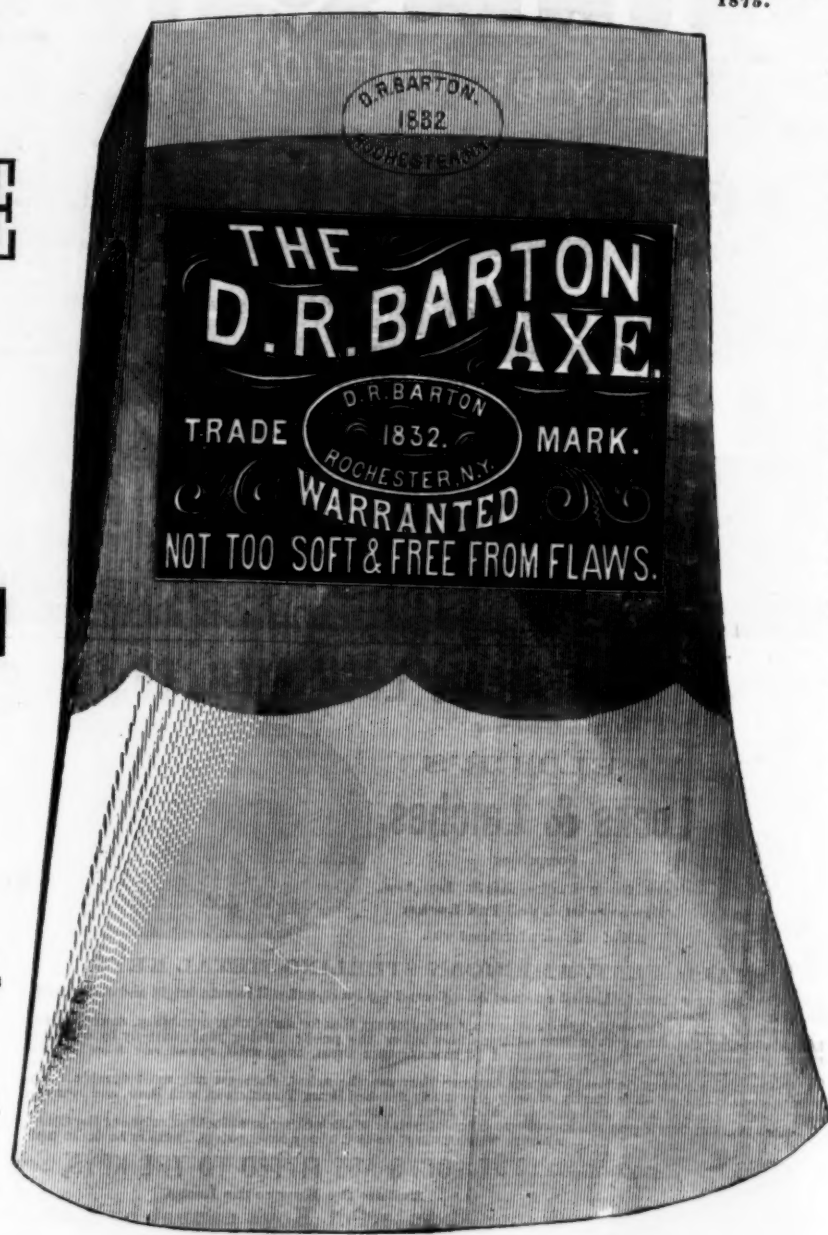
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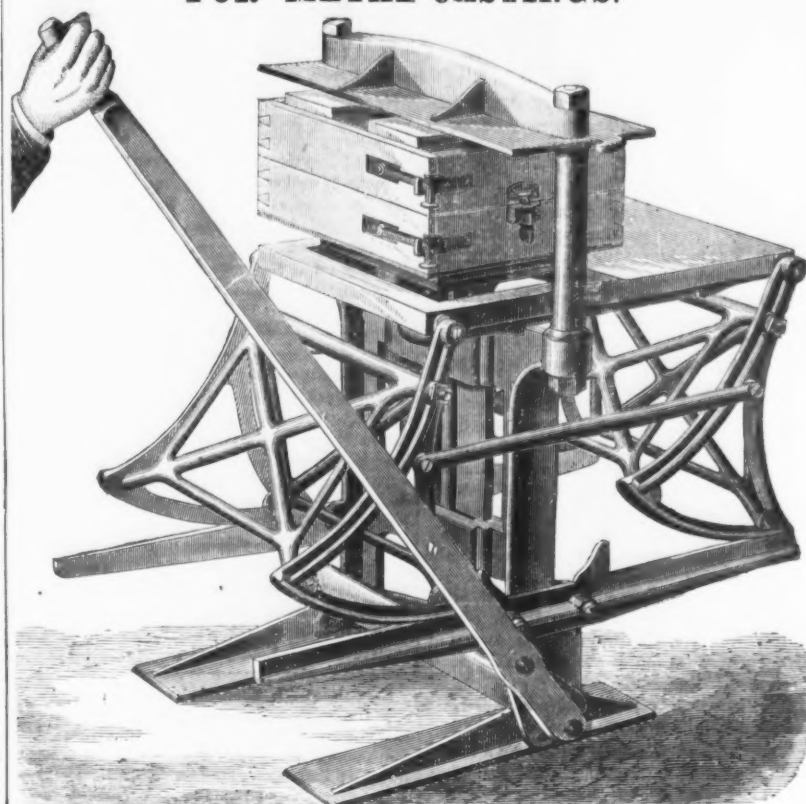
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The Aetna Iron Works, which are located just outside the limits of Ironton, undoubtedly stand at the head of American iron producing plants for their magnificent proportions, symmetry of design and completeness of detail. They consist of two stacks, which stand in a large, airy double casting house, on the bank of the Ohio River. These stacks are each 18 feet 6 inches bosh, and 86 feet 6 inches high, the upper portion being divided into four vertical retorts or coking chambers, formed by supporting fire brick walls upon arches sprung from the furnace lining. The walls are provided with horizontal flues, and vertical segmental flues surround the retorts; through these the gases generated in the cupola of the furnace circulate, and, being ignited, calcine the ore and coke the coal which has been charged into the retorts; the stock passing down into the furnace is converted in the usual manner into iron, cinder and gases.

One of these furnaces, the Alice, was blown in on the 13th instant. The second furnace, the Blanche, is well under way, and is ready for its lining. The buildings are all completed for the two furnaces, are of most ample proportions and of ornamental design, without appearing tawdry or extravagant.

When completed, five vertical blowing engines will furnish blast to the furnaces; at present two of them are in operation. They each have blowing tubes seven feet in diameter and four feet stroke. The blast is heated for the furnace by four of the Whitwell hot blast stoves, which were operating very satisfactorily, and producing a blast of 1450 degrees Fahrenheit this morning. This is the third furnace which has so far put these stoves into operation in America. The tunnel head is fitted with Weimer's furnace charger (the largest yet constructed), which maintains a uniform flow of gas to the hot blast ovens, boilers and coking retorts, and insures its complete utilization.

The water supply is obtained from the Ohio River, and elevated into tanks which form the roof of the engine house, from whence the supply for the ten tuyeres in each furnace, the numerous water valves and valve seats of the Whitwell stoves, and the water plates surrounding the crucible and lower bosh walls, is procured. The amount of water required for the plant is quite large, and to obtain clear water a reservoir and filter have been constructed.

A large ornamented iron stack, lined with fire brick, furnishes draft to the boilers and hot blast ovens. This stack is 195 feet high.

Knowing that The Iron Age is not given to fulsome praise, but is always anxious to credit honor to whom it is due, I presume it will join me in congratulating Mr. George Willard, the president, and Mr. J. P. Witherow, the designing and constructing engineer, upon the success which has attended the starting of this great innovation upon iron manufacturing, and also in the hope that their most sanguine expectations may be realized by the satisfactory operation of the furnaces. These gentlemen visited Europe and examined the prominent furnaces there, and also made numerous trips to the noted furnaces in our own land, to secure the most improved appliances. It is yet too soon to say what the furnace will do, for it must at first be fed largely with coke and handled carefully, but this morning everything was working splendidly, and your correspondent saw a cast made after an eight hour run, which amounted to fully 25 gross tons; the cast heavily filling 13 beds, averaging little more than two tons each; and the iron (which has since been examined) proved to be good No. 1 of great strength. The operation of the furnace on its tenth day may, therefore, be summarized as follows: Blast, 5 pounds; product, 75 gross tons of foundry iron; burden, 2600 pounds of Hanging Rock and Iron Mountain ores; 700 tons coke and 1300 pounds bituminous coal; temperature of blast, 1450° Fah. From the above your readers may judge whether or not this enterprise, which has stepped out so boldly from the beaten track of iron manufacture, gives promise of success. Columns could be filled with details and dimensions of the work, but it is evident that before long its importance will bring the subject before us, in proper shape, accompanied by cuts, and the object of giving the readers of

The Iron Age a brief outline of the work and its operation is accomplished.

Mention has been made of the new stack of the Iron and Steel Company, located in Ironton. It is built with the usual columns and mantles supporting the masonry, which is enclosed in a plate iron casing. The stack is sixteen feet bosh, 58 feet high, and is provided with a bell and hopper. The blast is furnished by two vertical engines each, with blowing tubes 60 inches in diameter and four feet stroke; and after being heated in three-pipe hot ovens, is injected into the furnace by seven tuyeres. The furnace is well constructed, and was built with Mr. Witherow as engineer. It was blown in on the night of the 18th instant, and yesterday (its third day) made 45 tons of iron, most of it foundry 1 and 2. The purpose of the company is to run the furnace on gray forge iron for their large rolling mills.

There seems to be no desire to force either of these furnaces, and considering this fact, the operation, as set forth above, must be admitted as worthy of notice, and far in advance of the average. The burden can undoubtedly be considerably increased as soon as the furnaces get into proper working order.

The new stack of the Iron and Steel Company is constructed so as to be altered into the "Ferrie" system, if its success at the Aetna warrants it. If iron cannot be made as cheaply at Ironton as elsewhere in America, your correspondent is greatly deceived. Its only drawback is the want of railroad communication, or, as you in New York express it, "rapid transit." Yours, truly, Bix.

Novelties in Tableware.—The *Crockery and Glass Ware Journal* describes as follows some recently introduced novelties in tableware, which show a decided progress in the application of the principles of art in the silversmiths' trade: The newest tea sets are square Japanese in oxidized gilt, and engraved with gilt and chased flowers, birds and butterflies. In the Elizabethan style, a set of burnished silver has a base of silver and gilt representing Neptune and sea-gods. A satin-finished set is engraved in gilt by hand in the finest details; an exquisite kettle is included in this set, with highly burnished lid and handle. Another style of tea-set in satin finish, with base of gilt and silver, represents the ancient Greeks mounted and in armor, going to battle; a coffee set is combined with this, and a butter dish. A beautiful bridal set of satin-finished silver was bordered with oxidized silver. The bas-reliefs represent a bridal procession; cupids, with garlands of flowers, the bridal pair, an altar with vapor from the burning offerings, birds, and flowers. Another bridal set is in oxidized repousse work, wonderfully elaborate. A silver-gilt dessert set is minutely engraved, and has sets of forks and spoons to match. A silver tea-set of six pieces is enamelled with blue forget-me-nots. An elaborate silver christening-set was engraved in gold butterflies, little children, birds and flowers; this is complete to the lamp and porringer. A dinner set of 20 pieces has a magnificent *epervier*, champagne pails lined with silver, with bas-relief of winged gods driving steeds; the punch bowl is lined with burnished gold. A new style of fruit stands is in the shape of an ancient war chariot guided by figures in armor of satin finish silver; heads of fauna from the hubs of the wheels. An *epervier* of silver is surmounted by a figure of Aurora in silver drapery, studded with golden stars, and wreathed with garlands of burnished gold. The side pieces for fruit and flowers are decorated with repousse work. The fashionable spoons and forks come in cases of 9 dozens for a set, Raphael pattern, in satin finish silver, with ornamentation of gilt. New styles of pickle dishes and ice cream saucers are in shell-shape silver, with gold volutes. Quaint little silver tubs, lined with gold, are for mustard, pepper and salt. An elegant toddy set of kettle, lamp and standard, sugar bowl and spoons, is in satin finish, silver and gilt, globe shape. Satin finish silver dishes are long slender ovals. Others have bas-reliefs representing Ceres and Neptune exchanging the riches of their kingdoms.

Protection in Germany.—A writer in the *Colliery Guardian*, speaking of the efforts of German manufacturers to secure the enactment of a protective tariff says: The exertions made by the protectionist party seems after all not unlikely to be crowned with some success, as far as the postponement of the abolition of the duty on iron is concerned, supported as the agitators are by the retrograde steps which the neighboring countries are taking on the road to protection. There appears at present every reason to believe that the customs treaties at present in force between Zollverein, France, England and Austria may, as their term expires, be replaced by arrangements based upon a return to protectionist ideas. The agitation both here and in Austria makes a strong point of the fact that England is not, and cannot be, an impartial guide in this question, and that from her position the theory of free trade was always identical with her own interests as opposed to those of Continental nations, and that by exceedingly far-sighted commercial policy, and by her introduction of the clause of the "most favored nation" into all her commercial treaties, she, as the greatest and most powerful producer and merchant in Europe, was always in a position, on a reduction of duty being granted by any other nation in the world, to push her wares into the opening thus created. As the opinion is pretty generally expressed by the German protectionists, she has in reality got the better of every European nation, whilst the concessions which she professes to give in return have never been adequate. As an instance, the authors of the present agitation point to the persistent refusal of England to admit German spirits on cheaper terms against the concession now made to her iron producers.

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The cans are taken out one at a time and dipped into a vat of hot water, thus loosening the cake of ice, which then slips out, and the can is again filled and set in its place. This is done three times a day. These slabs of ice weigh twenty-five pounds each, and four of them are piled on top of each other and allowed to freeze together, making 100 pounds to the block. These blocks are kept separate by placing small sticks between them.

Tools.

We have from time to time published extracts from Dr. Anderson's address upon tools, delivered at the opening of the Exhibition of Appliances for the Economy of Labor, at Manchester, England. We have now received a report in full of his remarks, and give all of them which are of any interest to our readers:

The word tool may be said, when taken in its broadest sense, to include every mechanical device that man has conceived and embodied in a material form in order to aid his own efforts in the accomplishment of his own purposes, more especially where the application of force is implied. They range from the first smooth stone used by the savage up to the self-acting mule or the Walter printing machine, including even the locomotive engine, or any other higher development; for through them all, from the smooth stone upward, one idea passes into another so gradually and imperceptibly that it is now impossible to draw a distinct line at any definite point, the conventional classification or nomenclature which is now employed being merely a matter of convenience to enable us to distinguish one sort of tool or device from another. The great point to realize clearly at the outset is this, that all mechanism, of whatever nature or by whatever name it may be known amongst men, is in each individual case the result of the material embodiment of an idea, that the original idea was first conceived in the human mind, and then by the means available at the particular period of the world's history man has been enabled to reduce the mental idea into a material, tangible form. According to Carlyle, the first tool used by the pre-historic man was a smooth stone, selected for a practical purpose, to be employed against his foe, or to aid him in killing wild animals for his daily sustenance. In course of time the idea would gradually dawn upon the mind of some other man of an ingenious turn, that if a long leather thong was attached to a stone, with the other end of the thong having a loop to pass over the right wrist, he could thereby save the trouble of having to look for and find the stone after each effort, and he could sit quietly under the shade of a tree in waiting for the prey, and hurl the stone without having to change position for its recovery; the assumed thong would thus be the first decided contrivance for the saving of labor.

Of the earliest invention of tools, or the first applications of mechanical force to perform work there is no existing record. Man's first effort with tools lies far beyond the reach of history or even tradition. The tool arts existed for thousands of years before Greece had reached the period of her artistic greatness; the tool art was ancient and mythical long before Romulus or Remus had been fondled; even far beyond the time when the Egyptian Pyramids were erected; for then tools were in a highly advanced stage, of which there is ample evidence. Those great works were not carried out by the apprentice hand of man. In searching for the origin of tools we have to go a long way still farther back—away up into the somewhat mythical region of our own old Fatherland, the home of the Aryan race, some-

where in Asia, where there is evidence that tools were familiar long before the Aryan swarms of colonists set out to people Hindostan, Persia, Greece and Rome, and nearly the whole of Europe. It is interesting to read the account of the ethnological investigations that have thrown light upon the condition of tools during that period. We read that the words relating to tools, industry and peaceful pursuits, to the domestic animals, to the weaving of cloth and the working of metals, have the same roots in the languages of all those nations, but that the words relating to war and most other subjects were originated by the several branches after the Aryan family had been broken up, thus showing that tools, the arts of peace and industry, must have been long established, otherwise the names of tools could not have been so firmly rooted in the minds of the entire race, to be retained in the memories of the whole stock in their respective colonies, when they, one by one, found a resting place in other lands, including even our own little island home. On reaching the times of Euclid and Archimedes we find tools highly advanced; the principles of tools are clearly understood, and about 130 years before the Christian era there is a pumping steam engine at work in the court-yard of Hero of Alexandria, the pump having an air vessel attached to produce a constant jet of water similar to the modern fire engine of John Vanderhyden. Both Pliny and Cicero refer to the tool called a lathe, but it is doubtful if they mean the lathe tool of our time; it is more than probable that they refer to the class of lathes which is now extensively employed in Birmingham for spinning sheets of metal into bowls or dish covers, but in those early days the sheet of metal seems to have been laid on the table of a sort of potter's wheel, which would afford the same result.

In the automatic or self-acting tools of this generation the great distinguishing feature of the larger number is this, that when once the tools are in working order they do not depend upon the attendant for the result. This condition is obvious in the tools of the textile manufactures, and almost equally so in the class of tools that are employed for the treatment of metal, wood and stone. In the latter, when considered in a general way, there is a family likeness running through them all, not so much in the outward appearance as in their principles of action, and still more in their adaptation to trace out the required form or pattern from a permanent copy embodied in the tool by a process of transfer. In the intelligent examination of such mechanism, the first thing to observe is the manner in which this leading feature has been developed, and it will be interesting to compare in each separate tool how the primary idea of copying the form has been embodied in the material structure, because this is the very point where a man shows his superiority for ingenuity, skill, craft or taste. Although the ways in which the idea of copying is embodied are innumerable, still it will be found that in almost each case the means employed are exceedingly simple.

To select, for example, the familiar tool called a lathe, it is chiefly intended to impart to materials true circles, straight lines, and flat surfaces, and all of those conditions must first exist in the tool. The bearing surface of the spindle neck must, in itself, be absolutely round in the strictest sense, otherwise the article operated upon will not derive a true circle from the revolution of the spindle. The mathematically true circle here referred to is practically very difficult to attain. There are many tools in the world that are supposed to be round, but which are not so in reality. An examination of the Whitworth gauges will best convey the idea of what is meant by mechanical truth and a true circle, each part fitting accurately into the other, yet perfectly free in every position. Then again the lathe has to afford absolutely straight lines of movement for the guidance of the cutting instruments, whereby the true circle derived from the spindle and dead center point is developed into a true cylinder, but not so unless the parent circle and straight lines are correct in themselves. If a perfectly flat surface is required from the lathe the cutting instrument must pass in a straight line transversely to the axis of the revolving spindle, and if the two are set absolutely at right angles to each other, a correctly flat surface is the result. If, however, any of the conditions of accuracy are wanting, then imperfection in the produce will follow as a matter of course. If the lathe is intended to afford screws it must first have a perfect screw within itself to copy from, for if there is any imperfection in the screw copy, or in the divisions of the teeth of the wheels by which it receives collateral motion, the screw produced will contain a transferred copy of each imperfection. It will thus be seen that the lathe is simply a tool to transfer its own character to other things; hence the paramount importance of having the lathe perfect in itself.

Unfortunately, the world, as a rule, does not sufficiently appreciate the difference between perfect tools and tools nearly perfect; but in the government of this portion of the world it is so arranged that those who do not are invariably punished because the want of truth and accuracy entails greater cost in their production, both at the present time and hereafter. To take another notable example—the well-known tool for planing metal—it is a sort of lathe, but differently arranged, and is intended chiefly for the transfer of flat surfaces; it is, however, frequently employed for the production of cylindrical surfaces, or even cones both figures being obtained on the same principle as in a lathe, namely, by combining, although in a different manner, the straight lines of the machine with the circles of some appendage on the table. As in the lathe, so in the plane, if the latter is not absolutely correct in itself, in all its lines or transferring surfaces,

its productions will be imperfect also, and much more costly, if they have to be rectified by hand tools afterward. The family relationship that subsists between the lathe and the plane is very intimate; neither have much resemblance to their old ancestor, the Aryan potter's wheel, and still less does the lathe resemble its more immediate progenitor, the dead-center lathe, worked by the alternate motion of a wooden lathe, which has given the family name to its many illustrious descendants.

Another member of the lathe family is the drilling machine. There are other tools of the same family, known by various names, in which the principle motion is given to the cutting instrument. They are variously arranged for movement in any required direction, vertically, horizontally or otherwise; but the leading feature in all is the copy from which the transfer movement is effected. In another class of tools the required form is embodied in a circular cutting instrument, which is guided unerringly by an iron arm, when the revolving cutter shapes out the reverse of its own form, as in cutting the teeth of wheels; but the circular cutter may be guided in any other course, regular or irregular, or the article may be simply passed under the cutter, and thereby rendered capable of developing any kind of figure which may be required in the whole range of the arts of construction. In all those tools, and in many others not mentioned, it is wholly a system of copying from a pattern by transfer, and the methods of applying the principle are practically unlimited.

The great lesson to be drawn from the consideration of this principle of transferring from a copy, where the tools merely repeat themselves, and thus become the parent of other tools of the same nature, is this, that the progeny of the said tools have the good or the bad qualities of the parent tool from which it was derived; that if the original tool has not truth inherent in its own structure, whether of true circles, straight lines or the many other tool virtues, then the tool cannot impart those virtues to other tools, nor is it possible for any real goodness to come out of a bad automatic tool. Hence the importance of having the highest excellence in the innate qualities of the breed; and where it does not exist in the stock naturally then the virtues can only be acquired by reverting to the more primitive class of hand tools. By means of hand labor, combined with extreme care, skill and patience, the sought-for conditions of truth are ultimately reached, and at a great expense; and the desiderated virtues once acquired and embodied in the automatic tool, will transfer themselves to other tools *ad infinitum*. After copying, the next important point to observe in machine tools is the instruments which men by experience have found the best adapted for treating different materials either by cutting or detrusion, and likewise to note the rate of motion at which the cutting or detrusion operations are found to be most efficiently effected. The natural laws which determine the conditions here referred to are not clearly understood at the present time, but there is now an immense number of facts accumulated that point in a particular direction, but have not yet been generalized into laws.

One hundred years ago the cutting of cast iron was a secret which few men could practice. Cast iron appeared to be most obdurate in its resistance to the cutting instrument. From the circumstance that man's past experience had been acquired in the treatment of wood and the softer metals, which admit a high velocity, the earlier attempts to bore and turn cast iron on a large scale failed because the force was applied in a wrong condition. As experience was gained, it became apparent that a much slower velocity, combined with greater pressure, was necessary, which entirely overcame the difficulty. On one occasion, Mr. Bolton, in writing to his partner, James Watt, said, in effect, that the completion of the bore of a cylinder by a new boring bar was most satisfactory; the piston fitted so nicely throughout that there was scarcely room for the insertion of a half crown at the worst part. In these days of Whitworth tools we can scarcely realize their practical difficulties, which were overcome, one by one, through the skill and indomitable perseverance of Wilkinson and Murdoch.

The range of velocity found most suitable for different substances lies rather wide; cast iron, for example, requires a slower motion than wrought iron, and may be said to range between 12 and 30 feet per minute, according to hardness; sandstones, from their structure, require a slower motion in the planing machine when being shaped into blocks or columns, and a slower motion still is found necessary by the Aberdeen granite turner, where the action is detrusion and the edge of the detrusion instrument or disc moves in unison with the granite column. Going in the other direction, the limit of speed has scarcely been reached; a velocity 8500 revolutions per minute is employed in the fine cutting of wood, and even that high speed is not found to heat the instrument to a degree which would necessitate discontinuance of the operation. It is different when the piece of wood itself is driven at that speed, as in the case of the wood turning, because from the friction exerted on one point, only the temper would soon be taken out of the cutting instrument. The remarkable difference arises from the swift revolution of the cutting instrument, where two new conditions are found to step in. The first is that due to the extent of the cutting points on the circumference of the instrument, where each point acts in turn, thus giving a momentary rest to all the other points. Then, secondly, from the instrument whirling at such a high velocity, it is in the position of a blowing fan, and is thereby kept cool by the presence of the atmosphere.

There are some other minor points in tools beside those already mentioned, which are of great practical importance. When a good tool has been once completed, with all the cardinal

virtues, then the question arises, has it the conditions of surface both in regard to extent and hardness that will enable it to see a reasonable old age and yet retain its original faculties, both in regard to truth and accuracy? Now tools differ greatly in this respect. Some tools make a fair appearance at the outset, but a few years' hard usage seems to take all heart and character out of them, while the properly constructed, sound surfaced tools, retain their excellence for a long period. The materials for tools chiefly consist of cast iron, wrought iron and steel. So far as the tool maker is concerned in fashioning them into form, the principle of copying by transfer is again the leading feature. A pattern is first made for the founder, which he imbeds in sand or other refractory material. When the pattern is removed the mold or empty space is filled up with the liquid metal, which runs into it by gravity. Beyond this it is almost entirely natural law which the founder has to study and obey in order to obtain good castings, and the founder's practice is chiefly derived from former experience of success or failure, which is just as true philosophy as that which is grounded upon the inductive theory of the thinker, and, as a rule, is equally reliable.

From a number of causes which were in operation during the previous 400 years, chiefly occurring in Italy, France, Germany and England, there begins the gradual dawning of a new era in tools; an entirely new race grew out of the old race, with this wonderful peculiarity and difference, that the idea or mental conception is not merely embodied in the material form, but, in addition, the man's own mental faculties are transmitted to and remain an integral part of the tool. By this change man relieves himself from the drudgery of having again and again to repeat himself. He is not only relieved from the physical toil of using the hammer or the distaff, or other tools, but he saves his mental labor as well. Thus the intellectual thinking of the brain becomes a part of the automatic machine. This second stage of tools embraces the larger portion of modern devices for the treatment of materials, including the mechanism of textile manufactures, and generally, but not necessarily, they derive their force through motors which are independent of man for their effect. It is useless to quote examples in Manchester, because they are the leading and distinguishing features of the district for spinning, weaving and working of metals and wood. There is yet a third stage of a still higher order of capacity in tools. There are modern tools which not only have ideas embodied in them like the tools of the second order, but in addition they have what we may almost call a reasoning faculty; they have the capacity of putting several ideas together, then summing up the existing conditions, and arriving at a practical decision in a fraction of a second, a mental process which would occupy a learned philosopher for hours, even if furnished with all the facts of the case. Then there are other tools which are provided with a nervous system, which pervades their mechanism, whereby if any disorder of their normal condition occurs they instantly communicate the fact to a sort of brain and stop of their own accord. Other tools perform the most difficult mathematical calculations, and are capable of printing the result, so that no error may occur in the copying.

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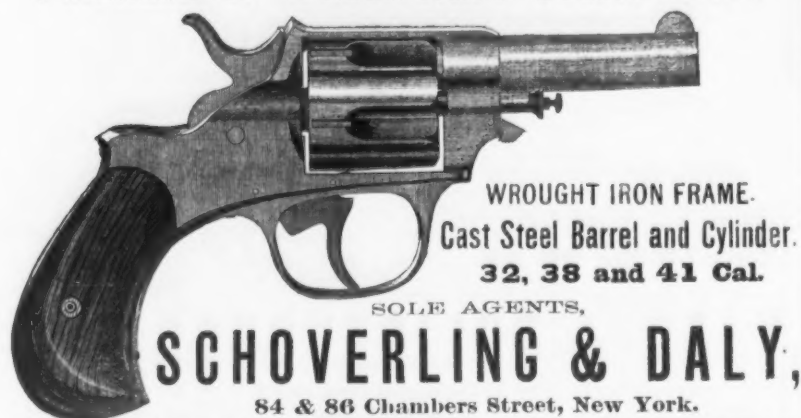
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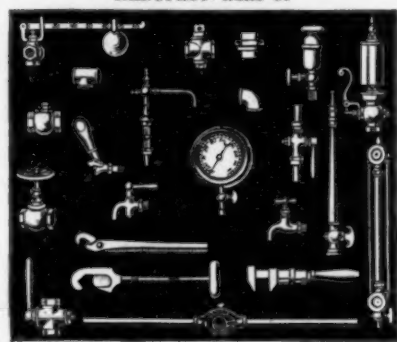
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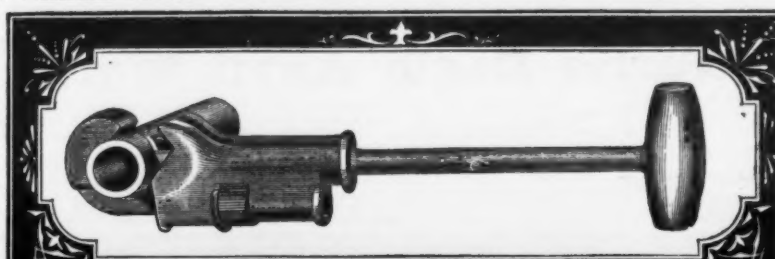
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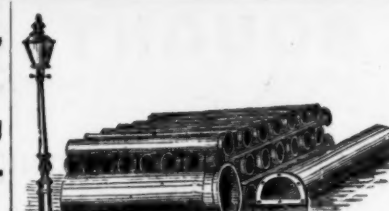
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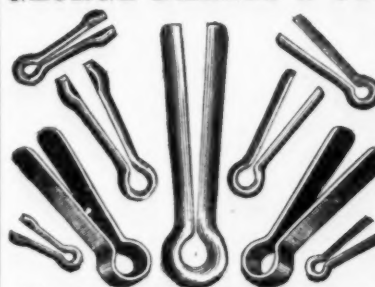
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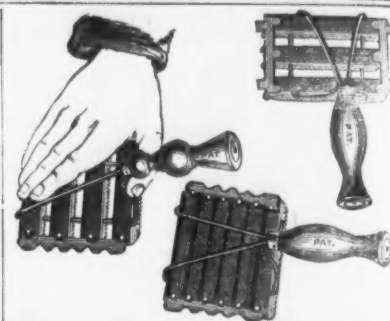
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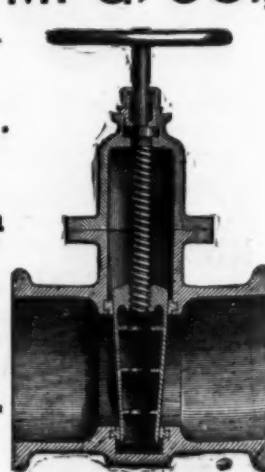
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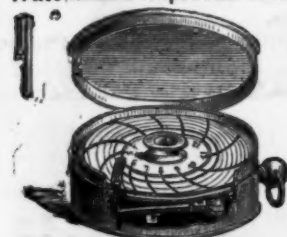
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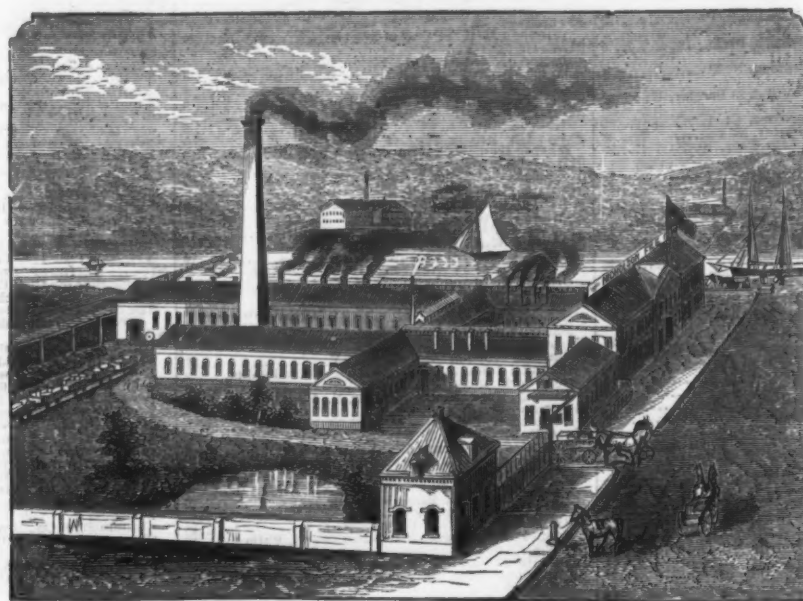
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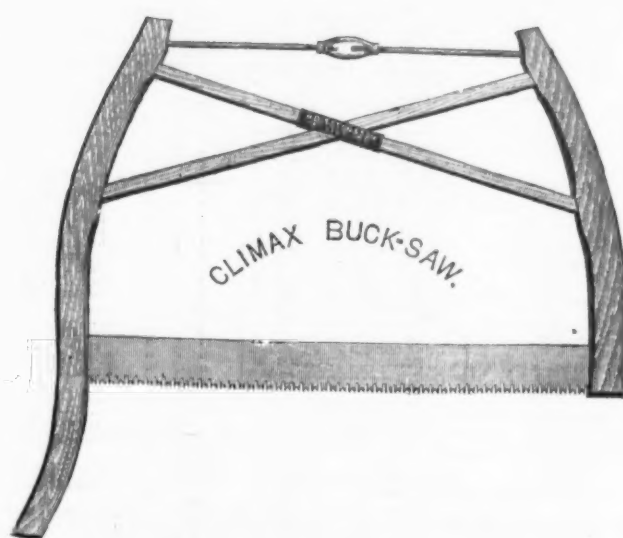
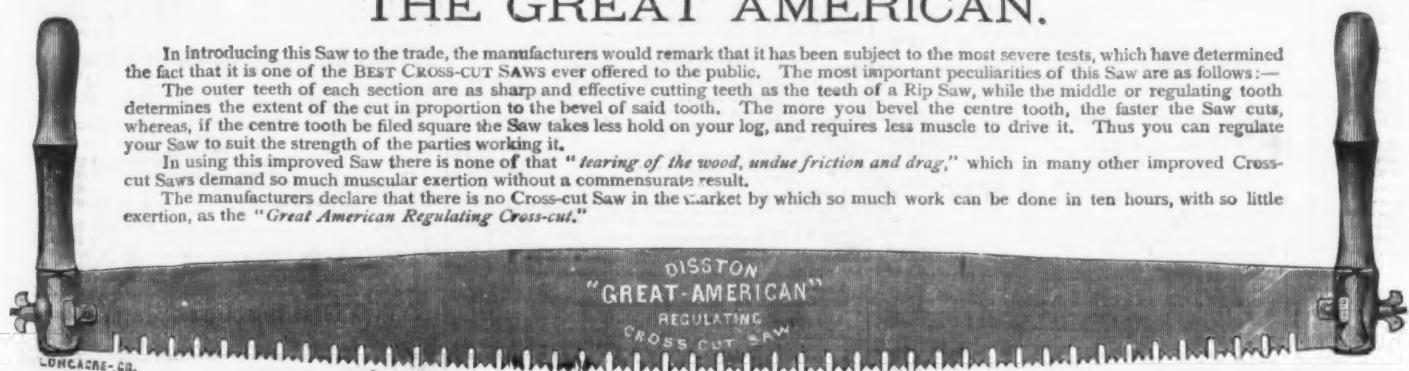
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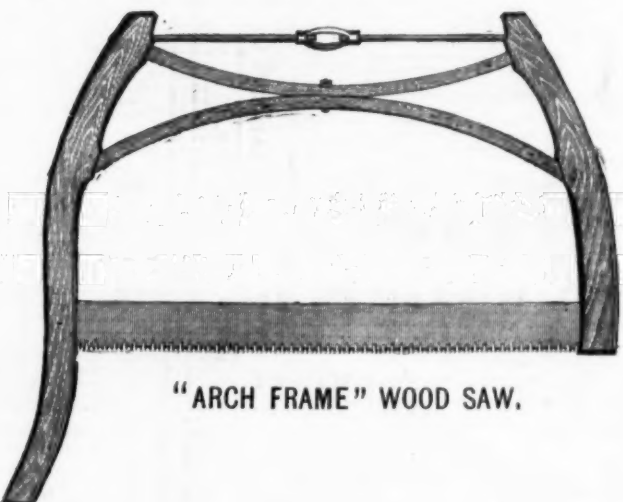
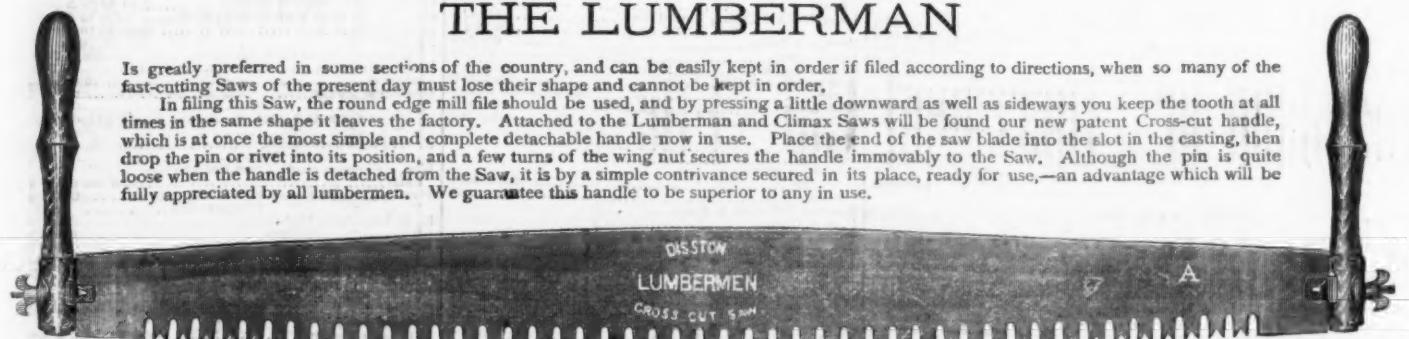
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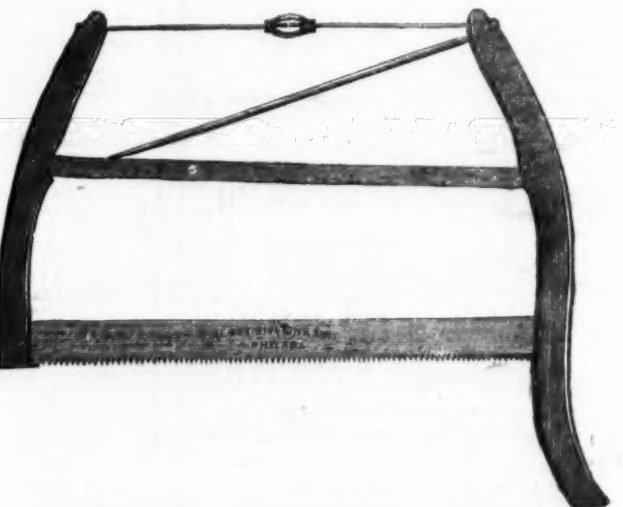
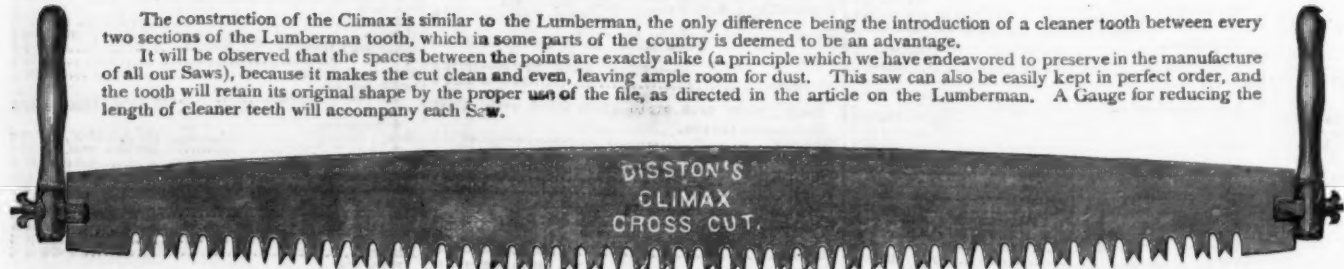
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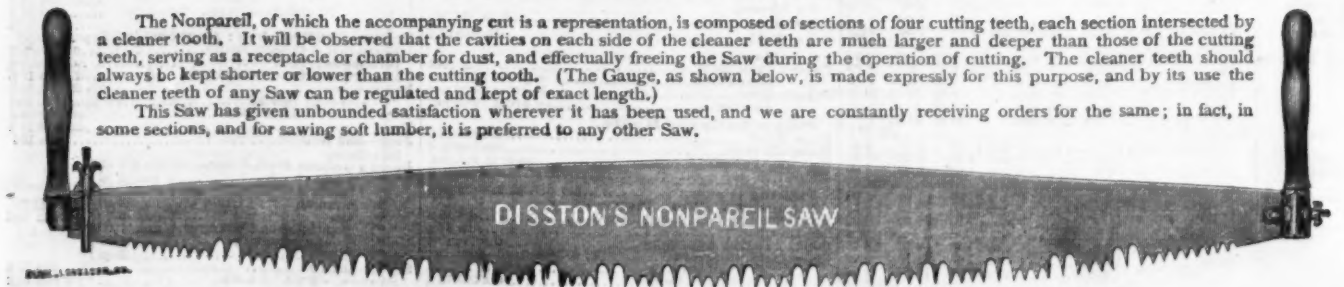
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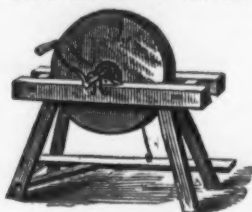
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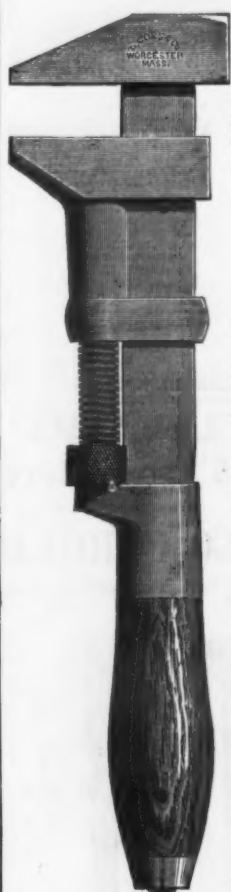
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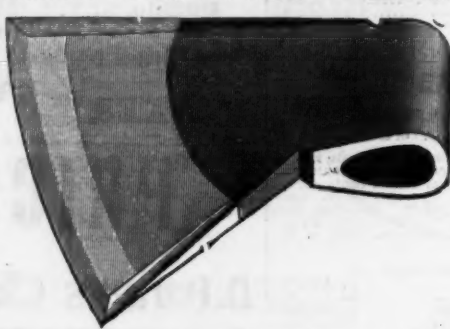
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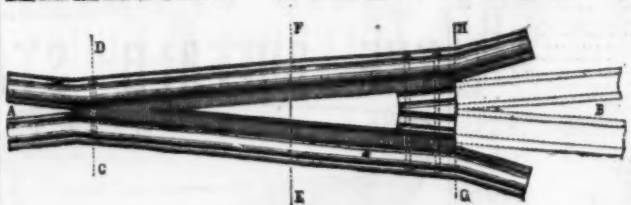
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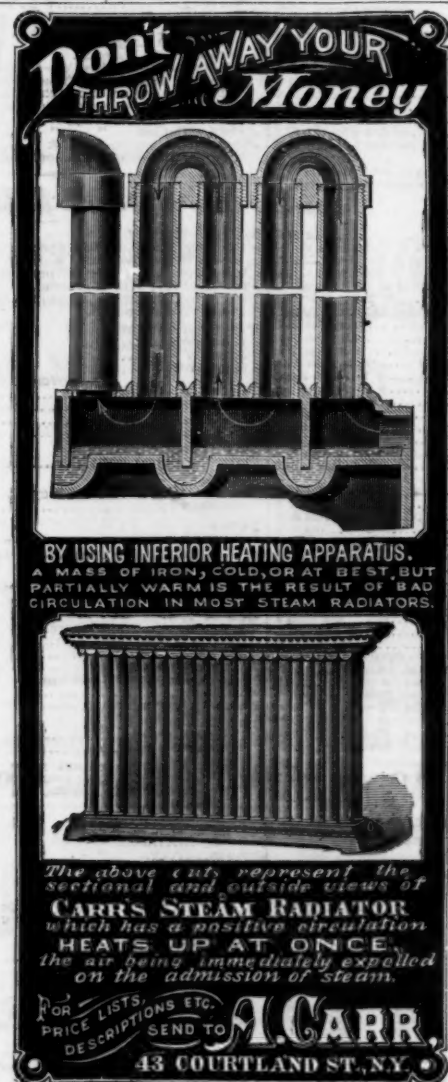


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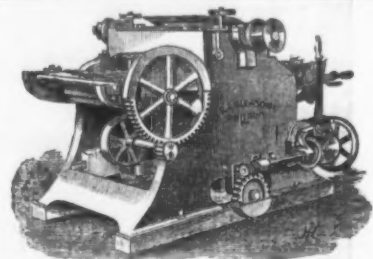
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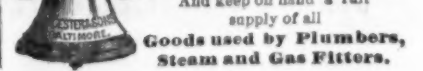
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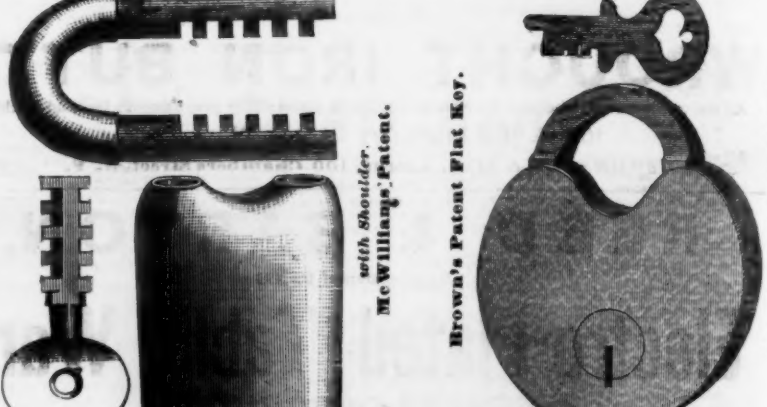
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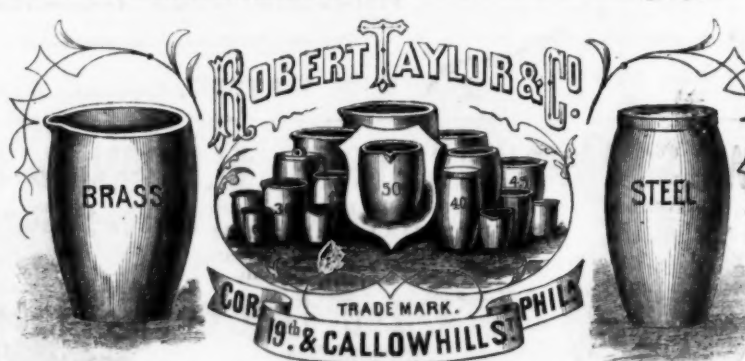
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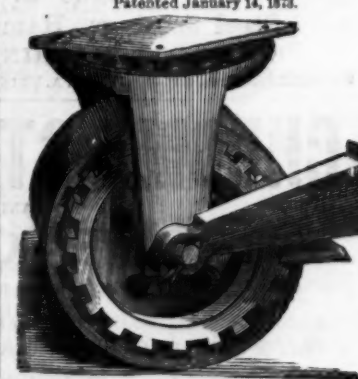
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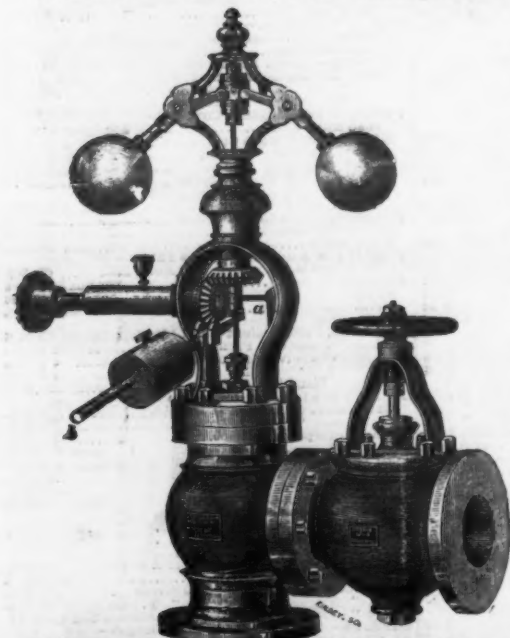
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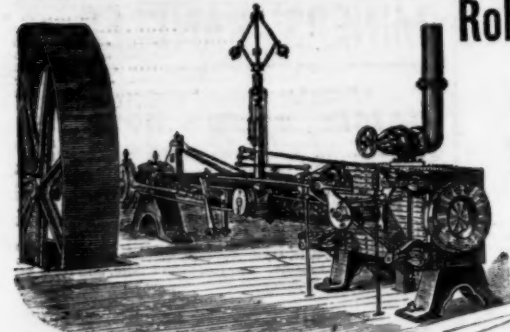
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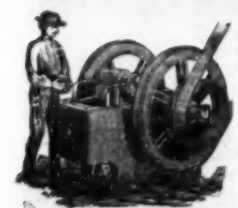
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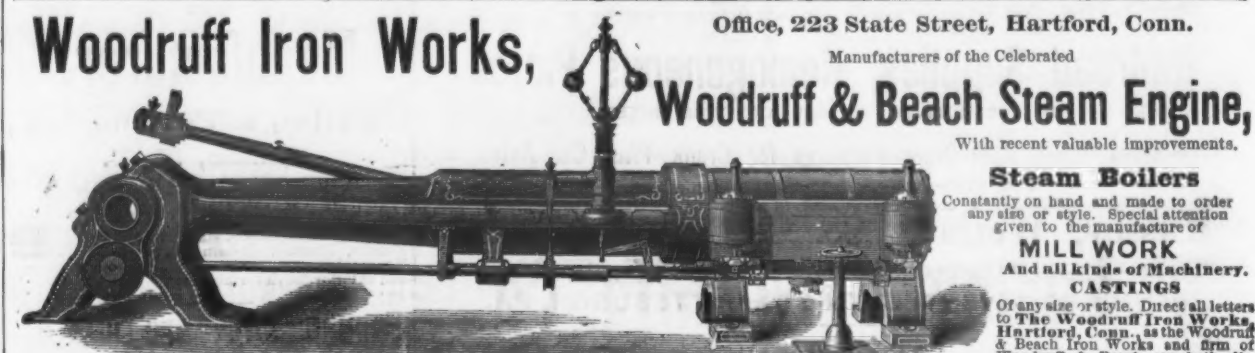
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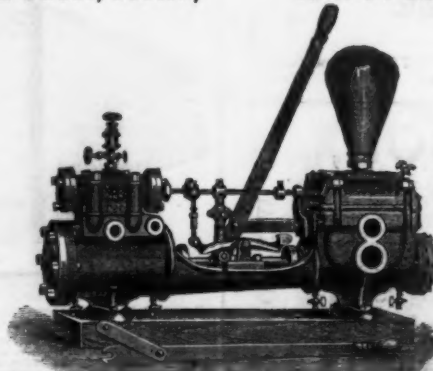
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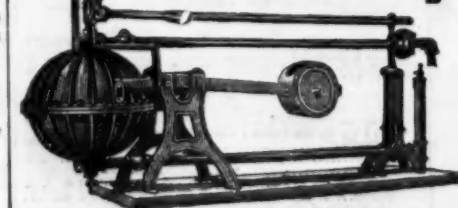
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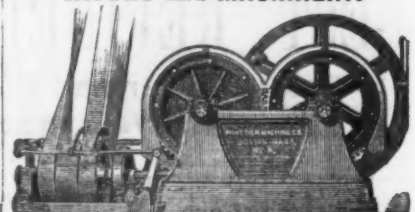
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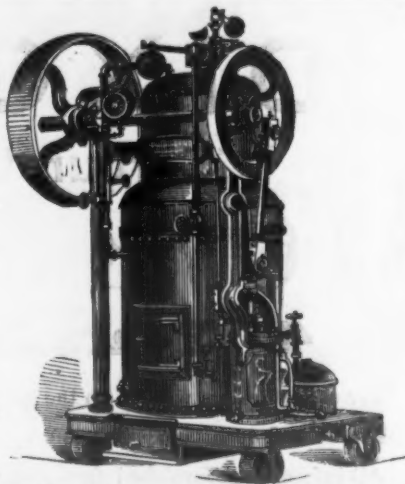
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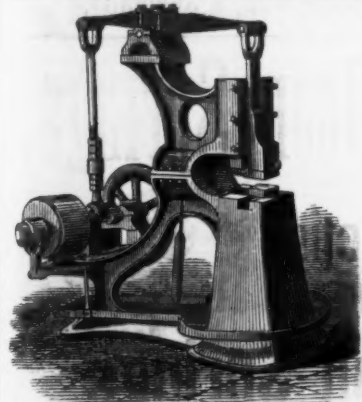


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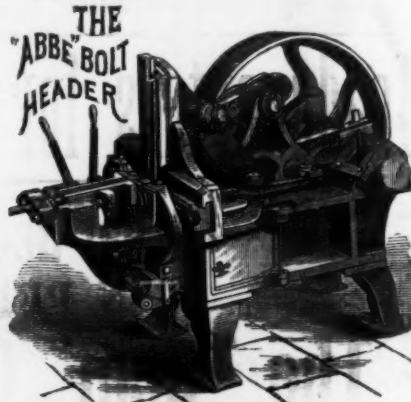
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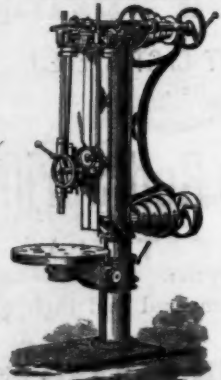
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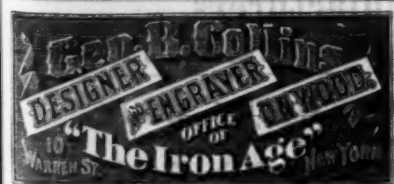
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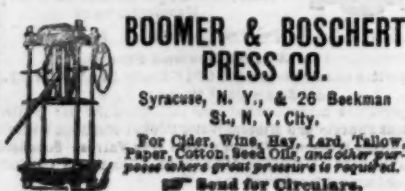
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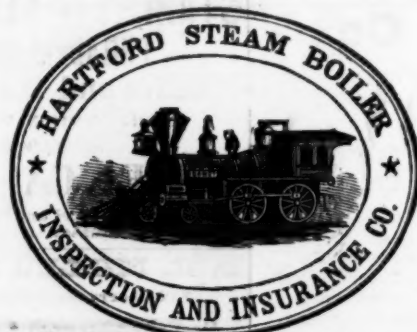
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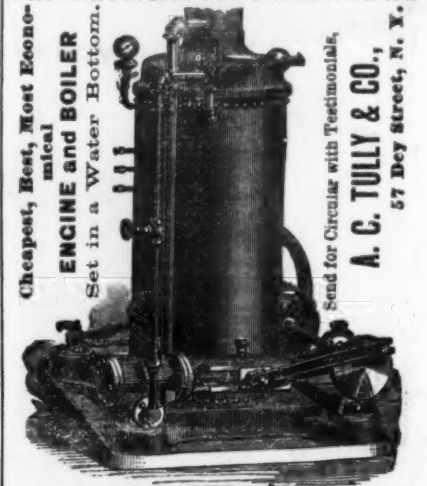
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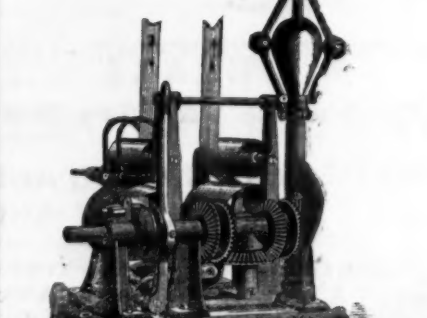
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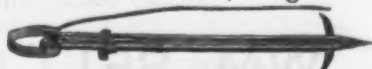
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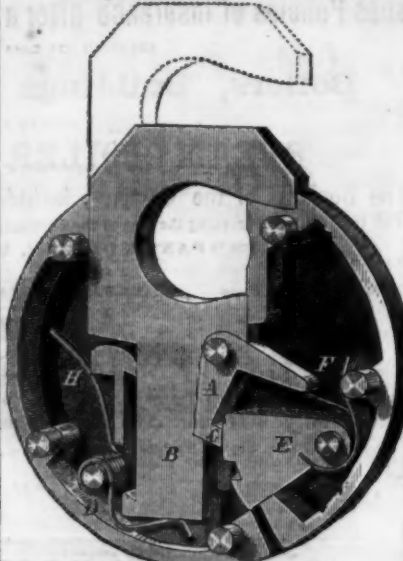
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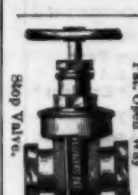
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